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Hancock Middle open house set

Hancock Middle School will host an open house event this Tuesday, Sept. 4, 5-7 p.m., to give parents an opportunity to meet with teachers.

Swim team to host car wash

The Hancock High School Swim Team will host a car wash to raise funds this Saturday, Sept. 8, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Century 21 in Diamondhead.

Valena C. Jones Bazaar begins

The Valena C. Jones Memorial United Methodist Church of Bay St. Louis will host its annual bazaar this Friday through Sunday at the old Train Depot.

Debt Reduction speech at Depot

Darlene Underwood of MSU Extension Service home economist, will be speak about debt reduction at the Bay St. Louis Depot's first Tuesday Talks this Tuesday, noon-1 p.m. Bring a lunch.

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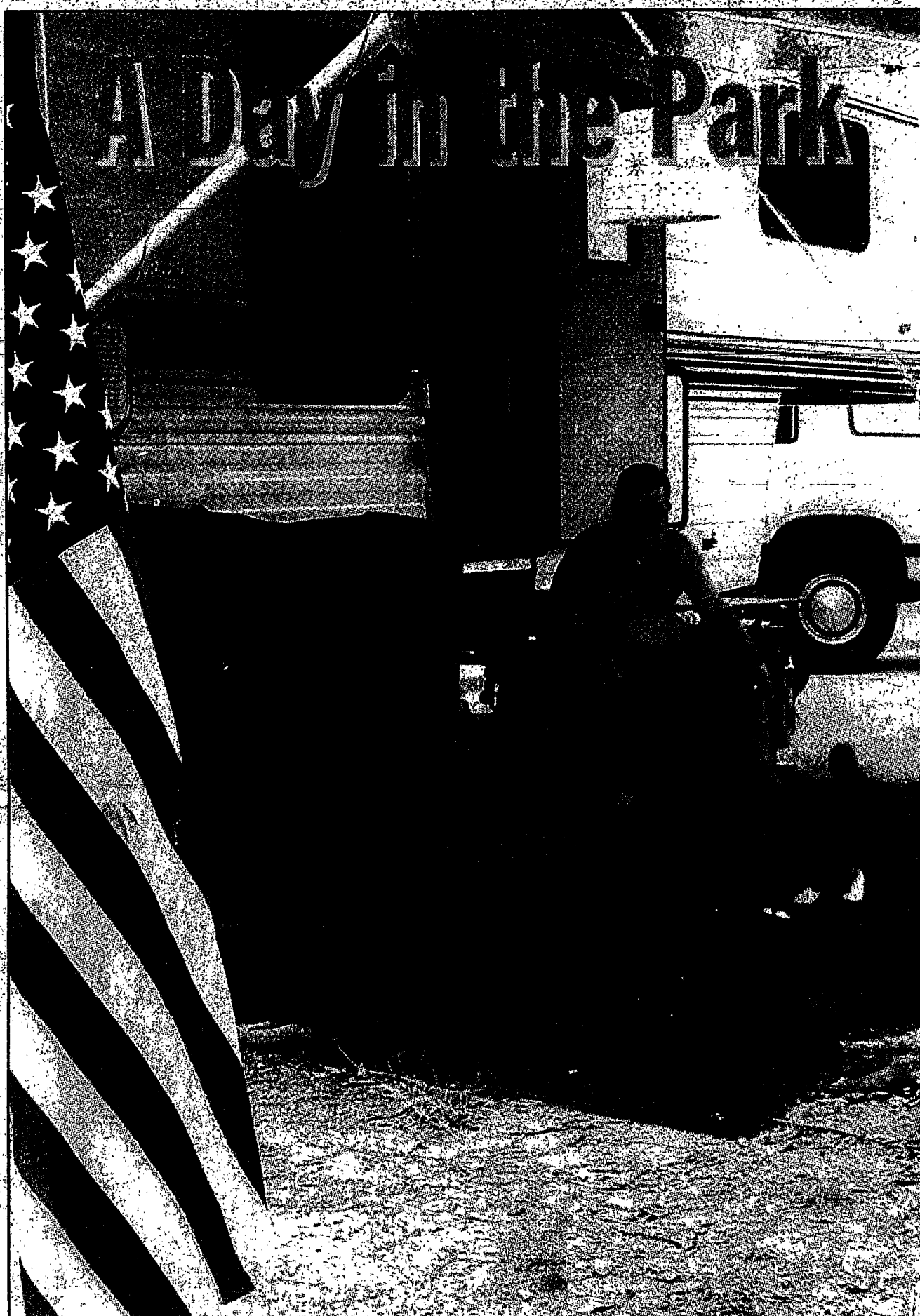
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Don and Wanda Weaver came to Buccaneer Park from Illinois and loved it so much they had to stay. Pictured are Don and Oscar, the traveling cat, at the campsite.

Full calendar of Labor Day holiday activities planned in Hancock Co.

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Once again it is time for that long, wonderful weekend called Labor Day. Not everyone is privileged to have Monday off, but those of us who do will no doubt spend the day eating too much barbecue and getting too much sun.

Tops on the list of things to do is participating in the annual Muscular Dystrophy Telethon which will be held at Casino Magic in the Bay. The telethon will begin today at 10:30 p.m., running until 2 a.m.; then resume on Monday, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Anyone wishing to make a pledge can call the telethon at 466-8099 or stop by in person at the second floor of the casino, said Waveland alderman and 22-year telethon veteran, Louie Smolensky.

The Coleman Avenue Coalition will hold its first annual Wave Fest on Coleman



Waveland Alderman Louie Smolensky thanks Michael Veglia for his contribution to the Muscular Dystrophy Association's yearly fundraiser. Veglia has collected money through the sales from candy machines placed in area business for the past nine years to donate to the cause. This year he collected \$1,300.

Ave. starting at noon today, with live music, food, crafts, booths, children's activities, a sand-sculpting contest and more.

After the fest, the Waveland Civic Association is scheduled to set off its annual traditional fireworks display at the foot of Coleman Ave. on the beach. Fireworks will begin at dusk.

American Legion Post 139, Bay St. Louis and Post 77, Waveland, will host bingo games this evening. Call the posts for details.

Local and out-of-town campers have filled area parks this weekend. McLeod Water Park was full all week, employees said, and they expected the park to remain full through the holiday. The boat launch at the park will remain open to the public.

On Friday, there were still a few full hook-ups, said Wanda Weaver, a volunteer at the park, and 30-plus water and electric

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Harter found strangled in septic tank

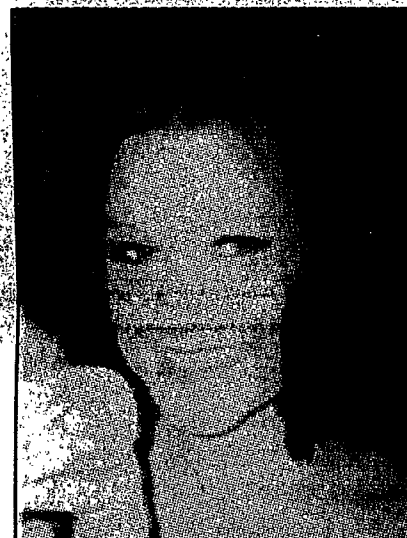
Boyfriend Shiyou laid to rest after killing himself in vehicle

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Relatives buried Norman "Jeff" Shiyou of Kiln, Saturday while investigators with the Mississippi Highway Patrol, Harrison and Hancock Counties tried to piece together the circumstances of what they said appears to be a murder-suicide.

The puzzling round of events began unraveling Monday when parents of Shannon Harter of Perkinston contacted the Hancock County Sheriff's Department to report their 18-year-old daughter was missing. The brunette, with blond highlights in her hair, was last seen about 1:30 p.m. Monday near the Mississippi Welcome Center at the busy intersection of Interstate 10 and Mississippi 607 in Hancock County. Authorities said Harter was Shiyou's girlfriend.

Shiyou told Harter's parents she jumped out of his



Shannon Harter

truck near the Welcome Center and he lost her in the woods, authorities said.

On Wednesday, Sgt. Joe Gazzo of the Mississippi Highway Patrol reported Shiyou, 21, had stopped his southbound pickup on Shaw Road at the intersection of Mississippi 53, near Lyman in Harrison County. It was about

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Commission vote limits mobile homes

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Their message was loud and clear Thursday night.

Most Hancock County homeowners or those planning to build don't want any more mobile homes coming into their residential areas.

About 120 citizens streamed into the Civic Center on Longfellow Road shortly after 5:30 p.m.

Thursday to attend a public hearing conducted by the Hancock County Planning and Zoning Commission.

The hot items on the agenda were several amendments to the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance that would effectively ban any more mobile homes in Bayside Park, Shoreline Park, Clermont

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Hundreds of dead fish lined the beach on the Bay of St. Louis Thursday afternoon. It wasn't a typical fish-kill, however, since most of the fish already had their heads cut off.

Bishop speaks at St. Stanislaus



Bishop Thomas J. Rodi delivered an inspirational speech to the senior class of St. Stanislaus at the annual senior breakfast on Friday. Students presented Rodi with several gifts of appreciation.

Bay firefighters attend Command School 2001 at N.O. convention

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Fire Chief Robert L. Gavagnie, Assistant Chief Brian Adam, Captains Pam San Filippo, Rodney Aguzin and Louis Prendergast attended Command School 2001 during the recent International Association of Fire Chiefs Convention in New Orleans.

Also attending was senior firefighter Monty Strong. The Command School is a fast-track, fast-paced, three-day course to provide hands-on experience designed to stimulate the planning and response processes, enhance fireground skills, all towards developing better commanders and managers.

The Bay St. Louis team participated in classes in risk management, fireground tactics, staffing levels, resource management and developing the command team, all topics and activities that immediately affect the local department.

While Chief Gavagnie represented one of the smaller departments attending the conference and the school, his firefighters were equal in training and experience during the four-hour intense tabletop disaster incident.

"You need the same planning and training experience to fight fires whether you fight them in Bay St. Louis or New York City," said the Chief.

"As our community grows, so must our skills to protect the personal safety and investments of our citizens. We want our response to emergency and disaster to be fast and effective, that's why we endorse and support continuing education for our firefighters."

Chief Alan Brunacini, Phoenix Fire Department and instructor for the class "Essentials of Incident Command" was the local team's favorite instructor. "He was the best motivational speaker I

have ever heard," said Asst. Chief Brian Adam.

Other instructors included Assistant Chief William Goldfeder, Loveland-Symmes, Ohio Fire Department; Chief Carl Holmes, Oklahoma City Fire Department; and Chief Dennis Rubin, Dothan, Alabama Fire Department.

This is the second Command School attended by Captain Pam San Filippo. San Filippo has served with the Bay Fire Department since 1986.

"Command School 2001 provides resource management tools that I can use every day in the continuous training of my shift," said San Filippo.

For information on how the Bay St. Louis Fire Department can assist residents and businesses of the community be prepared for emergency response before the department can be on the scene, contact Assistant Chief Gary Maurice, 467.4736, during regular business hours.

Gateways unveiled at library

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Five designs for gateways in Hancock County were unveiled at the Waveland Library. About 25 people attended the meeting. They toured the gateways through sketched depictions, planting schedules, construction sketches and by three-dimensional models.

Architect Allison Anderson of Unabridged Architecture and landscape architect Michelle Gautier Lee of Singing River Landscaping explained concepts for the five Hancock County gateways.

"We began with ideas from the public through facilitated community design workshops," explained Allison Anderson. "And the ideas that came from meetings were very sincere and very definite. People wanted to see the natural resources of Hancock County represented in these gateways. And people wanted to reflect on the social and economic history of Hancock County."

"This was such a unique project for me," said landscape architect Michelle Gautier Lee, "It was so apparent in the meetings that natural resources are very important to people in this community. Not only for the natural beauty, but also for the economic prosperity that trees and water have meant to the history of the families within this county."

Five gateways were presented on Thursday evening. The locations for these gateways are located at the Hwy. 90 Bridge at Beach Boulevard, the Highway 90 Bridge in Pearlinton, the Interstate 10 and U.S. Highway 603 interchange, the U.S. Highway 603 and U.S. Highway 43 Intersection and on U.S. Highway 90, east of the U.S. Highway 90 intersection with U.S. Highway 607.

"Each of the gateways is unique to the area that it is in," said Anderson. "It reflects the economic history of the community. But there are two common elements that tie each of the gateways together. Those two elements are brick and trees or timber."

Anderson and Lee are currently preparing a visual presentation of the five gateways. This presentation will be available to view at the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce. Presentations will also be made to the Master Gardeners and the Bay-Waveland Garden Club.

"We have taken an idea that was a spark from the Vision 2000 Committee of the Hancock County Chamber. And through

partnerships we were able to give this spark of an idea a shape. And also through partnerships, we will begin to give this spark with shape a body," said Chamber Executive

Director Carleen Moran.

"It was important to us to develop these gateways to reflect the community and to include participation from the community."

City of
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

A public hearing will be held on September 4, 2001 to provide the general public with an opportunity to comment on the taxing and spending plan incorporated in the proposed budget of City of Waveland for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2001, and ending September 30, 2002. The meeting will be held in the Board Room, City Hall Annex, Coleman Avenue, at 6:30 pm in conjunction with the regular scheduled Board meeting. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and comment.

The meeting for the adoption of the FY 01-02 is scheduled for September 11, 2001 at 6:00 pm in the Board Room.

Favre considers hosting Dixie Softball World Series in city of Bay St. Louis

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

The City of Bay St. Louis is looking at the possibility of submitting a bid to hold a Dixie Softball World Series in 2002 or possibly 2003.

Bay Mayor Eddie Favre met with a group on Thursday afternoon at the chamber's office to discuss the pros and cons of Bay St. Louis sponsoring a Girls World Series.

A bid for the 2002 Dixie Softball World Series would have to be submitted in two weeks.

Favre said the main reason for the meeting was, "to see if there was enough interest to bring such an event to Bay St. Louis and if there were enough volunteers for such a task, and would the community support such an effort."

Beth Carriere, executive director of the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau, is to check with local motels to see if there would be satisfactory rooming facilities for the young girls and report back to Favre by next Wednesday.

The Dixie Softball World Series hosts have very specific requirements for the entire World Series which begins on a Friday and runs through the next weekend.

Not like Babe Ruth and soccer, where in many instances housing can be supplied by families of hosting teams, hosts for Dixie Softball World Series for girls must provide specific housing for the players which have to be approved by the National Commissioner or his designee.

Attending the meeting included Carriere, Carleen Moran, chamber executive director; Helen Gaines, chamber executive assistant; Ron Vanney and Gus McKay, city of Bay St. Louis; Jay Cuevas, Hancock County Board of Supervisor; and Lonnie Falgout.

The Dixie Softball World Series are held the last week of July and first part of August each year.

There are some 40 requirements for a host to consider before making a bid.

At the annual bidding, each bidder is given ample time, not to exceed 30 minutes, to make a presentation, and all bids must offer the minimum requirements requested. They may exceed the requirements if desired, but only the minimum requirements will be considered in choosing the winning bid.

Bay St. Louis became a Dixie Softball League sponsor in 2001.

If there was not enough time to consider a bid on an age group for 2002, Bay St. Louis may consider working towards making a bid for the following year, if enough interest and support is shown.

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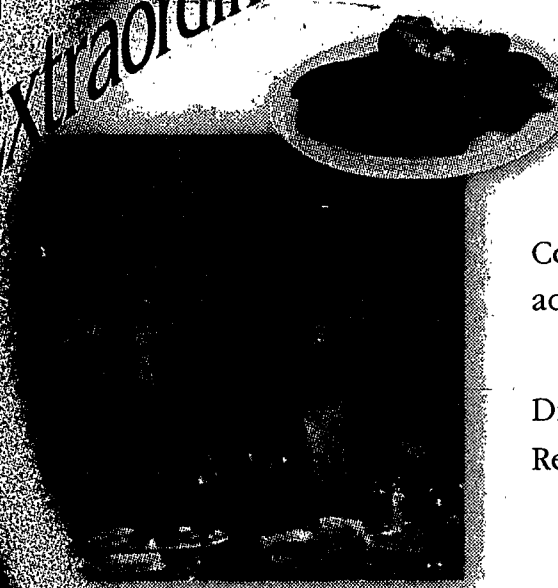
Closings for Labor Day

All area schools, all federal (including the U.S. Post Office), state, county and city offices and The Sea Coast Echo will be closed tomorrow, Monday, in observance of the Labor Day holiday, and will resume normal operations on Tuesday.

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Port, airport spending \$17 Million next year

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Hancock County's Port and Harbor Commission is proposing to spend a little more than \$17 million to operate and improve the Port Bienville Industrial Park and Stennis International Airport.

The proposed budget was unanimously approved by Commissioners in a recessed meeting last Monday. It will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors at their Sept. 4 meeting, and requires approval by supervisors, which will be holding a public hearing that same day on the county's budget for the next fiscal year.

Port Executive Director Hal Walters briefed Commissioners on the budget highlights. "In keeping with the will of supervisors, the budget does not include raises for full-time or part-time employees of the Port or Airport," Walters said.

Supervisors want to determine the revenue loss caused by an increase in the property tax exemption before deciding whether county employees will get a cost-of-living raise. The Board has promised to revisit the situation in January.

The Port and Harbor Commission is self-sufficient and generates revenues to operate and make improvements at the Port Bienville Industrial Park and Stennis International Airport through tenant leases, railroad operations and state and federal grants.

Walters has requested two additional employees for next year. He said the airport needs a person at the airport's terminal building seven days a week, and now only mans the facility during week days. The port also needs to hire another heavy equipment operator/mechanic, he said.

Walters told commissioners the projected revenues and expenditures for the coming year show the port and airport have helped fuel the local economy.

"When I came here in the winter of 1994, our entire budget was \$1.5 million," Walters said. "We've come a long way."

Last year, the Commission's budget was \$11,935,479, and the proposed budget for this fiscal year beginning Oct. 1 is \$17,049,359, including fund transfers.

Walters explained about \$4 million of the total budget represents roll-over grant funds for projects that got underway in recent months, or will jump off the drawing board in the coming year. The budget includes \$6.8 million in federal and state grants, loan and bond funds already on hand or anticipated to be available this year for capital projects.

The budget proposes spending money next year for equipment purchases and improvements at Port Bienville and Stennis Airport.

At the airport, the commission has set aside money to purchase 87 acres of land directly adjacent to the Airport to co-venture the development of what would be a 287-acre high-tech industrial park fronting Mississippi Hwy. 603. The Airport's Road D would be widened, lighted, paved and extended to 603.

A group of Alabama developers will join with the commission to develop the park.

Plans also call for spending \$30,000 for a third above-ground fuel storage tank with a capacity of 20,000 gallons.

A Federal Aviation Administration grant of \$739,192 will completely fund plans to remove present windsocks to another location at the airport. The funds will also be used for pavement elevation, an emergency generator and the installation of Runway Identification Lights.

An estimated \$100,000 is set aside to tie in Stennis Airport to the sewerage transmission line going to the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant in Waveland.

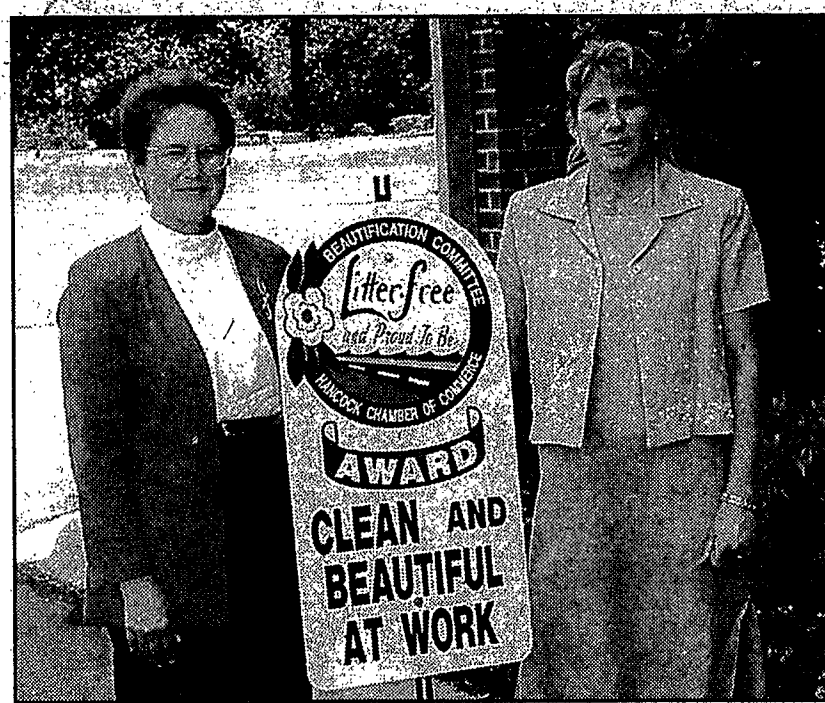
The Commission also voted Monday to apply for a \$1 million low interest loan available through the Mississippi Development Authority to add

Clean & Beautiful



August Clean and Beautiful awards

Receiving the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's Clean & Beautiful awards for the month of August were Marketown Investors, Bay St. Louis, Evergreen Nursery and Diamondhead Country Club. Middle photo, Regan Kane, represents Marketown Investors for their beautification efforts in addition to keeping the area clean and constant litter removal on the lot which includes Winn-Dixie Food store. Making the presentation was Betsy Ashman, vice-chairman of the chamber's beautification committee. Top photo, Joe and Jeanie Rolfe, new owners of Evergreen-Nursery, Bay St. Louis, are congratulated by Ellis C. Cuevas, right, chairman of the chamber's beautification committee, on their many colors of flowers and shrub displays. Bottom photo, Anita Abraham, right, director of club operations, left, receives the Chamber's Clean and Beautiful Award from Ashman for beautification and manicured grounds of the Diamondhead Country Club. The chamber's beautification committee recognizes several businesses and industries for extra beautification efforts throughout the year.



to rail storage area at the Port Bienville Industrial Park.

The railroad operations also call for setting aside \$120,000 for a rail-mounted combination brush cutter/cross-tie handler.

Other plans call for spending \$10,000 to install lightning protection devices on water wells at Port Bienville and Stennis Airport.

Another \$500,000 is set aside to expand the present container yard servicing Linea Peninsula from two acres to 5.2 acres. The parking area would be paved and lighted.

A total \$135,000 is allocated for a study that will be done by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which will study drainage needs in the entire industrial park. The Corps will also provide \$135,000.

Other expenditures at Port Bienville, call for spending \$100,000 to upgrade the south Road and \$80,000 to renovate two lift stations at Port Bienville. Another \$350,000 is set aside to tie the sewerage transmission station to the Wastewater Plant in Waveland.

Plans also call for the installation of electric guard gates at both the north and south entrances, and \$150,000 for a new guard station and landscaping at the North entrance coming off Lower Bay Road.

A total \$400,000 has been set aside to repair wharves used by Linea Peninsula, the port's chief shipping line.

Another \$40,000 is also set aside as the Port's match of the estimated cost of dredging

Little Lake in St. Tammany Parish, the main shipping channel into the industrial park and NASA's Stennis Space Center. The port is awaiting a permit from the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources and a dredging permit from the corps before it can begin the project.

Walters said \$125,000 is set aside for a fuel farm at Port Bienville to service the diesel locomotives and the heavy equipment used out at the park. He said the storage tank would enable the port to buy at better bulk prices and cut down on fuel costs.



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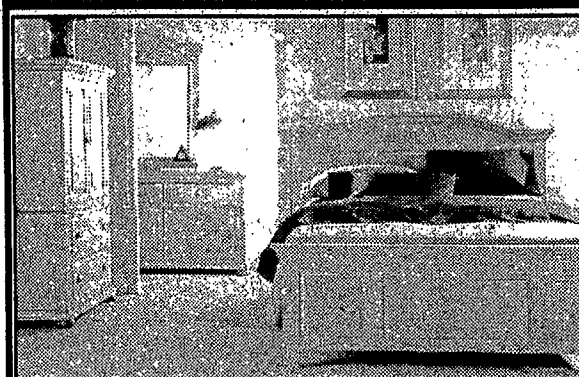
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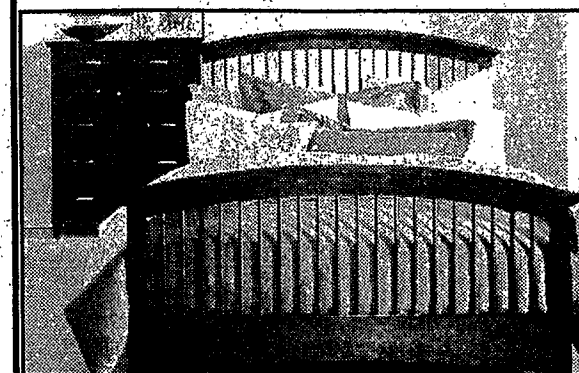
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OPINION

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Ponderings
by James R. "Randy" Ponder
Editor and Publisher

DuPont: The good, the bad and the unknown

Last Sunday, the Sea Coast Echo published a story about some serious ailments affecting people living in the DeLisle area. It seems they are experiencing an unusually high incidence of cancer, neurological problems and other illnesses. And they blame it on the nearby DuPont plant.

This was not a story the Sea Coast Echo planned to produce. These people came to us. They said no one else would listen. They were afraid. Afraid of what was happening to themselves, to their families and to their neighbors.

We listened to their stories. We took notes. We made phone calls. We did research. We ran the story.

Two things have occurred since. First, over a dozen other people have called to tell us that they too are suffering the same or similar ailments brought out in our report. They wanted us to know. They too are living in fear. They wanted someone to contact them.

Second, the DuPont plant manager and entourage came into our offices to personally give us the facts on their operations in DeLisle. They too are concerned about the problems facing some of their neighbors, but are totally convinced DuPont is not to blame.

There is no doubt DuPont is a very important part of the Coast's economy. Over 1000 people work at the DeLisle site, with millions of dollars in annual payroll and a large tax bill. And the company and its employees are very generous to local charities. Just ask the United Way.

DuPont is located on the northeast end of the Bay of St. Louis in Harrison County on a 2,400 acre site. Only about 200 acres are actually developed. The plant's only product is titanium dioxide, which is used in paint, plastics, paper and other consumer products. The DeLisle plant is the second largest producer of this material in the United States. Titanium dioxide is not toxic. It is a product most everyone comes into contact with each day without any notice.

The Material Safety Data Sheet for DuPont's "TI-PURE", the company's registered trademark brand of titanium dioxide, shows the product to be very safe. It is not flammable and requires basically no protective safeguards and it is chemically stable. In life-time inhalation and ingestion studies on animals, no significant toxicological effects, including cancer, were noted, according to the report.

The DeLisle plant receives raw material by rail from the Port of Gulfport. The three primary materials used in the production process are ilmenite ore, chlorine and coke. Coke is a solid product obtained from coal and is used as a fuel and reducing agent in metallurgy.

The production of titanium dioxide involves hazardous materials and produces waste. A lot of waste. In 1999, the most recent figures available, the DeLisle plant created 10,045,852 pounds of waste material. The bulk of this, 8,235,100 pounds, was injected through deep wells, into a sandstone formation some two miles below the Earth's surface. The plant manager likened this deep-well injection disposal method to simply re-depositing a material back into the ground that was mined from a distant site.

1,778,000 pounds of waste were released into the air. The balance was disposed of in other ways, such as landfill.

That's an awful lot of waste, but it pales in comparison to 1988 when the company produced 49,323,867 pounds of waste.

The air emissions are probably the most challenging to DuPont. They include 87 pounds of recognized carcinogens and 110,040 pounds of suspected carcinogens. All are well within EPA guidelines. But the public relations aspect is huge.

The company's operation is much more efficient now. In fact, DuPont claims it has reduced overall air emissions by 62% since 1992.

Most of the waste is produced in a process that separates titanium from the iron contained in the ilmenite ore by combining it with chlorine gas at intense temperatures to produce titanium tetrachloride. The metallic chloride impurities, which include the iron and other naturally occurring metals found in the ore, now in a liquid state, are removed and pumped deep underground. The titanium tetrachloride is then oxidized at high temperatures to produce titanium dioxide.

The last three EPA reportable accidents at the DeLisle site are as follows: On January 9, 1998, two inhalation injuries occurred when approximately one pound of chlorine was released during a railcar hook-up. There was no off-site impact. On February 10, 1997, a worker injured an ankle while exiting a building when a pipeline failed, releasing 12 pounds of chlorine, during a start-up. Again there was no off-site impact. On August 30, 1996, during maintenance activities, approximately 5000 pounds of liquid titanium tetrachloride were released. Three workers suffered inhalation injuries. There were no reported off-site injuries, but the accident did attract local media attention. A cloud of gas left the plant site but was quickly dissipated by the wind.

Also of interest, a public hearing was held on March 30, 2000, at the DeLisle Elementary School to consider an exemption to allow DuPont to dispose of hazardous wastes into their five Class 1 injection wells until December 31, 2020. No comments from the public were received.

It is unfortunate people are suffering life threatening illnesses in our community. But keep in mind, we are living longer and as we age, we tend to incur diseases in a greater percentage now than say 30 years ago when life expectancy was shorter. Yes, there is something going on in the DeLisle community and these people need answers to their fears.

I am not convinced DuPont is the evil some would have us believe. Human nature tends to always look for simple answers to complicated, sometimes unexplainable events. It is easy to go on a witch hunt, to point fingers, to place blame. On closer inspection, things are not always as they may seem at first glance.

DuPont officials have stated they have nothing to hide. They would be well served to meet with these people and to do a better job of informing the public of the safeguards and procedures in place at the DeLisle plant. Education is the key.

Knowledge and fear cannot exist in the same mind.

A FULL BASKET



Letters to the Editor

All encroachments should be removed from Beach Blvd.

To the Editor:

In response to the raving letter from Mr. and Mrs. Fuselier published on August 30, I feel that I must speak for all of those citizens who applaud the Board of Supervisors' long overdue decision to enforce the county right-of-way on Beach Boulevard.

Over the years, residents of Beach Boulevard have increasingly encroached on county property. Though some may make improvements that beautify the beach area, most who place encroachments on the right-of-way are mean-spirited in that they prevent others from parking in front of their property.

I applaud the county for finally enforcing the law. The Fuseliers' don't realize that they are the ones who are in the wrong in this case.

Perhaps they don't realize that those crepe myrtle "plants" are not on their property and the county does not have to reimburse them for illegally placed greenery; the county

should be reimbursed for the cost of removing the encroachments by property owners who should not be placing fences, pipes, ropes, oleanders, or crepe myrtles on county property.

I do agree with the Fuseliers on one point. I concur that a blanket policy should be enforced, and that all illegal encroachments should be removed immediately with no exceptions.

In conclusion, this whole action would not need to occur had the property owners checked the laws before they beautified/blocked the right-of-way. I support and applaud the Hancock County Board of Supervisors. IT'S ABOUT TIME!

When will the Board of Supervisors require beach front property owners to remove the dangerous and ugly debris from piers that have long ago fallen into disuse?

Sincerely,
Michelle Denette
Waveland

Political candidates should use their complete names

To the Editor:

I am concerned and somewhat confused about the special election to fill the office of Hancock County Justice Court Judge East due to Judge Joseph R. Dobson's resignation when I see signs everywhere with Joseph R. Dobson seeking to be elected to that office.

If this person is Joseph R. Dobson Jr., why did he choose to leave off the Jr.? I feel that this is going to confuse a lot of

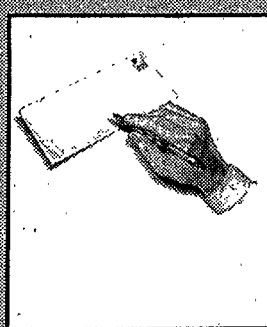
voters in the election, and that it would be in the best interest of the voters if the Election Commission looked into this matter and sees to it that the correct name appears on the ballot as Joseph R. Dobson Jr. so as not to confuse the voters.

While this might be legal, it is misleading to say the least and should be corrected.

Thank you,
Glenda Lumpkin
Kiln

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



Labor Day and Waveland Civic Association, a long-time tradition

To the Editor:

As summer comes to an end, many of us begin to think of our next holiday, and most of us think of Labor Day.

We think of how we will spend our weekend. A barbecue with family and friends, fishing, swimming, a lay at the park, or maybe the beach. The Waveland Civic Association knows exactly how they will spend their Labor Day, just as they did for over 30 years.

Each year on Sunday night of the Labor Day weekend, the Waveland Civic Association entertains hundreds of spectators by providing a fireworks show on the beach in Waveland.

This tradition started 33 years ago as a way to thank the citizens, residents, and visitors of Hancock County for their support to local businesses throughout the year.

Another tradition that the Waveland Civic Association looks forward to during the Labor Day weekend is the Muscular Dystrophy Telethon.

In 1977, Waveland Civic Association's MDA chairman, James A. Lagasse, Jr. (now deceased) was the first to start

a pledge center on the entire Mississippi Gulf Coast at the Waveland City Hall.

Later, Louie Smolensky took over as MDA chairman with pledge headquarters at Charlie Henderson Ford, then the Waveland Resort Inn, and presently Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

Louie has devoted over 20 years of service as the Waveland Civic Association's MDA chairman and has helped raise hundreds of thousands of dollars, all of which stays in Hancock County.

The telethon will begin Sunday night at 10 until 2 a.m. and again Monday from 7 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

I, Jay Fountain, president of the Waveland Civic Association, urges everyone to come out and share with us a traditional Labor Day weekend with a fireworks show on the beach and the Garfield Ladner Pier in Waveland on Sunday night at 8. And don't forget the MDA Telethon at Casino Magic. Have a safe and happy Labor Day.

Jay Fountain
Waveland

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Guest Commentary

DuPont committed to protecting health and the environment

BY ALDO MORELL
DuPont DeLisle Plant Mgr.

Sunday's Sea Coast Echo alleges that the DuPont DeLisle Plant is causing health problems in the community. DuPont recognizes and shares community concerns for safety and health, however this article contained several inaccuracies.

Readers can be assured that DuPont operates the plant in a safe and environmentally sound manner. The plant is not contaminating ground water. Air and surface water emissions are well below the levels permitted by the state of Mississippi and the federal government.

Here are some facts:

- Titanium dioxide is not toxic. In fact, some TiO₂ is used as a whitener in some foods and toothpaste.

- During the recent groundwater concern at the DeLisle School, the Mississippi Departments of Health and of Environmental Quality (DEQ) sampled many community wells all around the plant. None were found to have unacceptable levels of the wide range of metals and organic compounds that were analyzed. More importantly, both agencies concluded that there is no groundwater contamination in the DeLisle and surrounding communities.

- DuPont, with oversight from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and DEQ has regularly analyzed water wells on site and in the community to confirm that there is no contamination from DuPont DeLisle.

- The surface water discharge stream to St. Louis Bay is extremely clean, cleaner than the water in the bay. This stream is continuously monitored to ensure complete compliance with all permit requirements. Sediments from the bay are periodically analyzed to confirm that metals are not accumulating.

- DuPont has implemented a "no-leak" philosophy to ensure that chemical leaks are corrected immediately. In fact there has not been a significant release in over five years.

- Titanium ore does contain low levels of naturally-occurring radioactivity. These levels do not require regulation of the material. The low-level radioactive material is disposed of, out of harms way, mostly into the deepwells with the iron chloride waste stream while the small amount remaining is landfilled. In everyday life we are exposed to many sources of similarly low-levels of radiation including from materials such as granite and ceramics, as well as activities such as air travel and smoking.

DuPont believes in community outreach and encourages inquiries. Plant representatives meet regularly with members of a Community Advisory Panel, made up of folks who live near the plant or in the surrounding communities.

Representatives also interact regularly with the community through Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development Council, environmental conservancy groups, Boys and Girls Clubs, United Way and many other organizations.

If you have any questions, please contact Donald Dees (255-2231) or Aldo Morell (255-2300). DuPont is a science-based company committed to the highest standards of integrity and protection of human health and the environment.

Have a safe and happy Labor Day



Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Last weekend, while I was in a local supermarket, I was approached by a subscriber who resides on Highway 603.

She said, "I know you're always writing about one-eyed vehicles, but something has to be done about those without tail lights, too."

The lady reported that she sits on her front porch in the evenings after dark to enjoy the breezes and fresh air and has a clear view of the highway.

She said a couple of nights ago she saw two vehicles, one behind the other, traveling Highway 603 without tail lights, saying she frequently sees vehicles without tail lights. Motorists need also to check their tail lights and make sure they are in working order.

Driving without lights appears to be on the increase. Thursday night I approached Dunbar Avenue coming from Highway 90 on Carroll Avenue to make a right turn to reach my street.

It was misting rain and it was dark. I looked in both directions and did not see any approaching vehicles. As I made a sharp right turn - and luckily I made a sharp turn - as I was approached by a large solid black pickup. Now if I had been crossing Dunbar, I probably would have been hit broadside by a black vehicle running without lights in the dark.

I do not know how someone can drive in the dark without headlights on, especially when it is misting rain.

The "big" happenings in Hancock County over Labor Day will take place in Waveland.

And, tomorrow is Labor Day. I just wonder where the first part of this year has gone. It seems it was New Year's Day a few months ago.

Among the big events here

for Labor Day weekend is the Wave-Fest 2001 Fireworks Display and the annual Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Telethon.

The Waveland Civic Association has been associated with the Muscular Dystrophy Telethon for many years, and Louie Smolensky has been the chairman and coordinator for quiet a few years.

Casino Magic will once again be the headquarters for the local telethon which will be on Channel 13. The hours are Sunday, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. and Monday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Those are the hours Louie and his helpers will be at Casino Magic. Several fundraisers for the telethon have already been held, yet there is still a need for more donations.

The telethon's local telephone number is 466-8099. Give them a call to make your donation.

Wave-Fest 2001 is today, Sunday, beginning at noon and has been put together with the efforts of many folks from Waveland. The main sponsors are the Coleman Avenue Coalition, Mad Mozart Productions, Waveland Civic Association and City Services.

There is a great day planned from noon today until after midnight on Coleman Avenue.

Among the functions are a sandsculpturing contest on the beach, Coleman Avenue artists, crafters, food and information booths, a Misfits Antique Car Club show, special children's events such as 'The Story Telling Tree,' 'Art Land,' space walk, pony and train rides, etc.

Then there is live music to be provided by some seven bands from noon until after 7 p.m.

At dusk this evening, the annual fireworks display, sponsored by the Waveland Civic Association, will take place at the Garfield Ladner Pier on the beach.

This is a spectacular fireworks display that can be viewed from miles along Beach Boulevard.

The fireworks by the Waveland Civic Association is presented in cooperation with the Hancock County Board of Supervisors and cities of Waveland and Bay St. Louis in addition to support from many of the businesses in the Waveland-Bay and Hancock County areas. Sounds like a lot of happenings on Monday in

Waveland, and I hope to see you in the crowd.

It is hoped that everyone will have a great time over the Labor Day weekend.

Remember, do not drink and drive or operate any type of water craft.

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Deadline for state's Disaster Housing Program

The state's Disaster Housing Program was implemented statewide on August 12. People whose homes were made unlivable by the flooding on August 12 may apply for assistance by calling 1-800-434-4243.

The deadline for filing an application is Sept. 11, 2001. So far MEMA has received 156 applications for temporary housing assistance under this program. Both homeowners and renters may apply. This is grant money from the State of Mississippi that is available to the public and does not have to be repaid. The application process takes about five min-

utes to complete. Callers should have on hand social security numbers and insurance settlement information prior to calling. Families who have insurance can also qualify.

Homeowners may qualify for up to three months rental assistance or they may choose to use an amount up to the amount they would have received for the rental assistance for minimal home repair. Renters may qualify for one month rental assistance and are not eligible for the minimal home repair option. Visit MEMA on the World Wide Web at www.mema.state.ms.us

Free GED classes available

Free GED preparation classes are available to area residents. Classes meet in the PRCC mobile classroom on the campus of Hancock High School in the Kiln.

These classes feature one-on-one instruction that is specifically tailored to each student's needs. Classes meet on Tuesday and Thursday from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m. To enroll, students may attend any class meeting.

GED testing is also available

at this site. The last date for students to take the full GED test will be Sept. 20 and 21. Anyone who has taken the test before will be able to take the GED re-test on Oct. 18 and 19 or Nov. 5 and 6.

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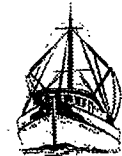


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Bay-Waveland Garden Club

BY ALICE B. HOLMES

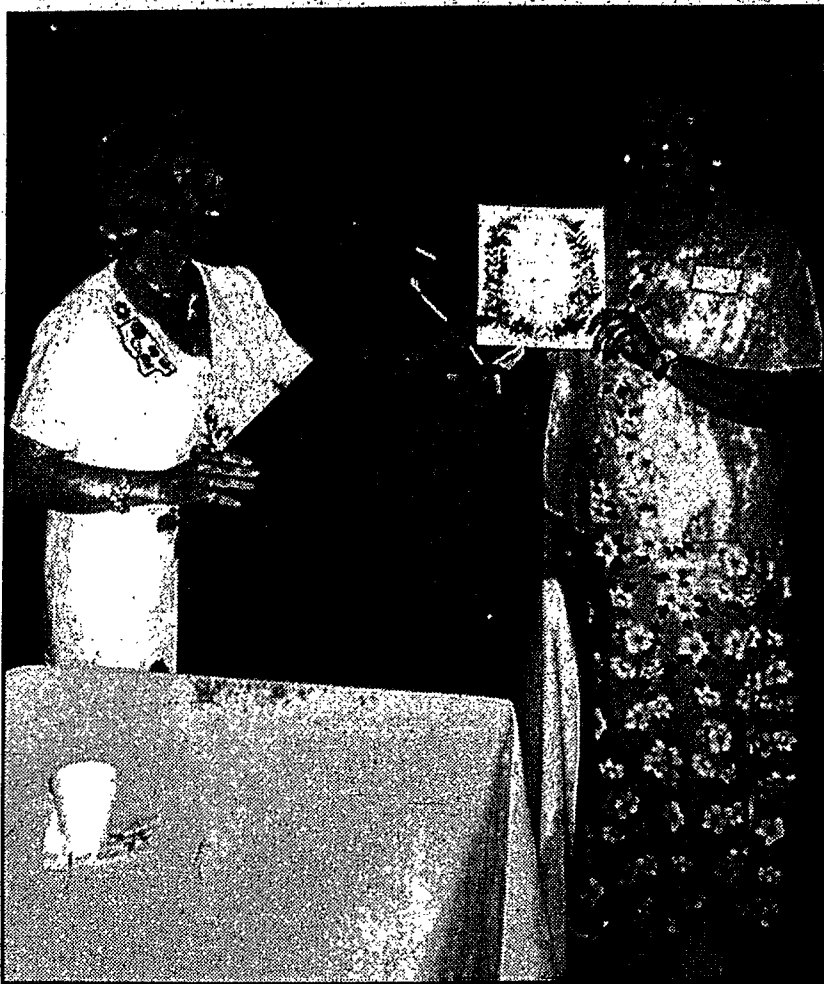
The Bay Waveland Garden Club will begin its 63rd year with its regular meeting Sept. 13, at 2 p.m. at the Garden Center, 114 Leonhard Avenue, Bay St. Louis.

President Kathleen Fernandez of Bay St. Louis says, this year it will be a challenge to top last year's environmental project which won the Mississippi Association of Conservation Districts' Conservation Education Award, a regional award, and the National Garden Club's Jessie M. Conner Award for Environmental Education.

The club was named the Mississippi Garden Club of the Year and had the highest scoring flower show as well as winning awards for butterfly conservation, Arbor Day program, yearbook and flower show schedule.

In addition, the club co-sponsored the annual state convention with the Diamondhead Garden Club. Junior Garden Club members Crystal Hawkins, Kyle Kileen, and Virginia Comer won awards in the poetry contest, and Ashley Libys and Amy Roth won in the poster contests.

Planned for this year are the annual Christmas Flower Show held in conjunction with the Hancock County Library's Christmas Tree Gala, an environmental fun day in partnership with the Bay-Waveland



Melanie Goussset of Grenada, president of Garden Clubs of Mississippi, presents awards to Kathleen Fernandez, president of Bay-Waveland Garden Club.

Girl Scouts on Nov. 10, attendance at the Garden Club Appreciation Day at Crosby Arboretum on Oct. 3, and the annual Spring Pilgrimage on March 12, 2002.

In addition, several members are already working on the preparations for the National Garden Club's annu-

al convention to be held May 18-21, 2003 at the Beau Rivage. Anyone interested in joining the club should call Kathleen Fernandez, president, at 467-9844 or Kathleen Kemp, membership chairman, at 467-9334 or attend the September meeting as a guest of a member.

Military Mention

AIRMAN REEVES

Air Force Senior Airman Kenneth D. Reeves II was graduated from the Airman Leadership School at Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, N.M.

The training focuses on preparing and better equipping senior airmen to serve as supervisors, managers and rating officials as they progress in their enlisted military careers. The school is the first of three levels of professional military education programs used to develop and cultivate leadership and supervisory skills, and is a required course for airmen to complete prior to being promoted to the rank of staff sergeant.

Reeves, an aerospace ground equipment journeyman, is assigned to the 27th Equipment Maintenance Squadron at Cannon.

He is the son of Linda F. and stepson of James D. Huk of Pass Christian.

In 1995, Reeves graduated from George County High School, Lucedale, Miss.

SSGT HOWE

Army Staff Sgt. Tony C. Howe has been decorated with

the Army Commendation Medal.

The medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Army.

The sergeant is a shop foreman at Camp Stanley, Uijong-Bu, South Korea.

He is the son of Frank Hines Jr. of Gulfport.

His grandmother, Irene Dedeaux, resides in Pass Christian.

Howell is a 1985 graduate of Pass Christian High School.

ENSIGN CAIN

Navy Ensign Shalen D. Cain, son of Rhonda J. Sherwin of Bay St. Louis and Mike D. Cain of Lompoc, Calif., was recently designated a Naval Flight Officer while serving with Training Squadron 86, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.

Presentation of the coveted "Wings of Gold" marked culmination of 18 months of flight training for Cain.

Cain joined the Navy in December 1992. He is a 1999 graduate of Old Dominion University, Va. with a BS

degree.

CIVILIAN HILL

Civilian Kevin D. Hill, Jr., son of Deborah A. and Kevin O. Hill of Pearlinton, recently participated in the U.S. Naval Academy Summer Seminar in Annapolis, Md.

Summer Seminar is an annual program designed to introduce rising high school seniors to the U.S. Naval Academy, one of the nation's premiere undergraduate institutions.

Hill was one of 1,500 high school students selected out of an applicant pool of more than 5,000 students based on his academic record and extracurricular activity.

Family reunion

The Cadet LaFontaine family reunion will be Sept. 22 and 23, 1-4 p.m. in McLeod Park.

For information, call Helen at 467-7127, Lois, 467-4883; Velma, 467-7878, Beverly, 467-7803; Gwen, 504-624-3927; Penny, 466-0964; Chrissy, 601-539-9409; of Shelia, 467-1326.

USM program lets students work in scientific environment

Science all day, six days a week? It sounds like a challenge for any high school student.

Columbia cousins Kandace Echols and Brian Porter were among 10 Mississippi and Louisiana students who met that challenge this summer during the 2001 edition of the Secretary of the Navy Engineering and Science Residential Program (SECNAV ESRP) at Stennis Space Center.

Designed to expose students who have an aptitude for math and science to the inner workings of a scientific environment and to expand the pool of qualified engineers and scientists for the Navy, the six-week program involved students who will be seniors in the 2001-2002 school year.

The Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command hosted the program which was conducted by the University of Southern Mississippi, the Naval Oceanographic Office, the Naval Research Laboratory and the J.L. Scott Marine Education Center and Aquarium in Biloxi, part of the USM College of Marine Sciences.

The students split each week between working on oceanographic projects with Navy scientists as mentors and experiencing the coastal environments of beach, bayou and barrier island firsthand with marine education specialists from the Scott Aquarium.

"This mentoring experience begins preparing students for careers in engineering and science with some exposure to potential civilian or uniformed Navy service careers," said Dr. Don L. Durham, deputy and technical director of the Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command. "It also provides students with an opportunity to work with the latest technologies, enhance their ocean sciences knowledge and explore career options."

Completion of the program also carries three semester hour college credits from Southern Miss.

Both Porter and Echols attend the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science in Columbus. They were undaunted by the technical facets of oceanographic research and computer technology that they worked on with their Naval Research Laboratory mentor.

"The use of mathematics was a highlight for me," Porter said. "Since I do want to be a math major, my experiences will help me in my college and career."

Porter said he also had fun going into marine habitats and learning about marine adaptations and how they play a major role in the marine environment.

Echols put those marine excursions, especially going to Ship Island, at the top of her list.

"We saw different islands

and learned how barrier islands are important," she said. "It was a pretty place to be."

Echols said trying to learn to work some of the computer programs necessary to her project was challenging. "Once I got the hang of it, though, it was easy," she said.

SECNAV ESRP Coordinator Willie Heard of the Scott Aquarium said more than half the young people had never encountered seawater before.

"They were enthusiastic and alive for knowledge," he said. "Listening to them talk, I think most of them took away the realization that our marine

environment is a delicate thing, and it is our responsibility to take care of it."

Presenting certificates and graduation scholarships of \$1,000 each to the students at a July 27 luncheon and graduation ceremony were Durham, Dr. Anselm C. Griffin, Southern Miss provost, and Dr. Jay Grimes, dean of the Southern Miss College of Marine Sciences. Students entering 12th grade were selected on the basis of grades, transcripts, essays, extracurricular activities and written recommendations from their counselor and primary science teacher.

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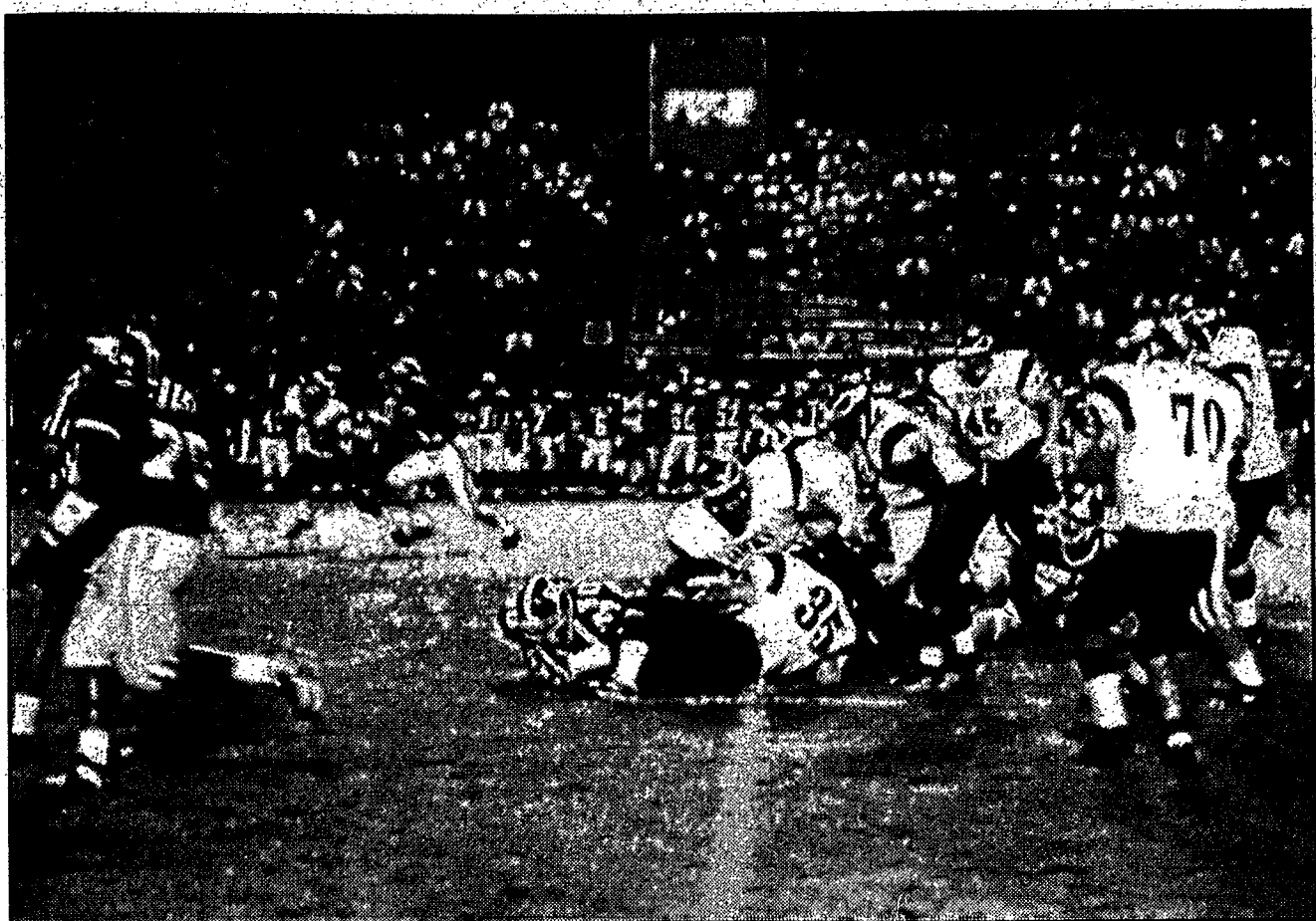
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SPORTS



Despite a good first half, the Hancock Hawks fell to the Picayune Maroon Tide at Picayune Friday. Photo by Dwayne Bremer

Picayune cages Hawks 42-7

BY DWAYNE BREMER
Contributing Writer

The Hancock Hawks are a young team, and young teams sometimes make mistakes. The Hawks showed just how good they could be as well as how bad they could be Friday night as they were downed by the Picayune Maroon Tide 42-7.

"We played hard, but we did not play well," said Hawks head Coach Rocky Gaudin.

The game was a tale of two halves, with the young Hawks hanging tough in the first half, only to be taught a tough lesson in the second.

The Hawks offense moved the ball well, and the defense played some inspired football before the wheels fell off in the third quarter.

Hancock got things started off as Charles Bolden had a 20-yard return of the opening kickoff. The Hawks took over at the 40. Hancock surprised its fans by coming out in the shotgun with four wide-outs. The Hawks were attempting to take advantage of the talents of junior quarterback Brandon Necaise. The move did not pay off at first as a holding penalty set the Hawks back 10 yards. Necaise connected with Ricky Underwood for a 12-yard gain, but the Hawks were forced to punt. The Hawks then found out they were going to have a little trouble with the punting game. A 22-yard punt gave the Maroon Tide a first down at their own 38.

The Tide offense took the field and put together a crisp 11-play drive behind the running of seniors Ion Oliver and Jaun Chambers. The Tide crashed in as Oliver broke three tackles en route to a 10-yard touchdown run. The point-after was no good, but the Tide had taken the early 6-0 lead.

The Hawks took over at the 32 and began to move the ball.

Ervin Jackson had a seven-yard run, and runs by Chase Sackett and David Brown gave Hancock a first down. Necaise connected with Terry Lewis to set up a fourth-and-inches, but the Hawks elected to punt.

After trading possessions, the Tide was ready to wash up on the Hawks' endzone again. Taking over at the 33, Picayune put together a six-play drive that ended in a 15-yard score by Chambers. Oliver ran in the conversion, and Picayune had taken a 14-0 lead early in the second quarter.

The Hawks then woke up and put together a nice scoring drive. Necaise started things out by hitting Brown for 15 yards. Jackson had runs of seven and five to give the Hawks another first down at the 37. Necaise hit Lewis for another first, and four plays later, Necaise and Lewis connected again, this time for 14 yards and a first-and-goal at the one. Darren Elliot finished the drive off with a one-yard plunge for the score. Sackett added the point-after, and the Hawks were right back in the game with 4:46 to play in the half.

The Hawks defense then made a potentially-big play, as Lewis intercepted a pass from Russell Mitchell and returned it 29 yards to the Tide 42.

They weren't about to take advantage, however, as Necaise dropped the ball while struggling for a first down at the 35.

With only 1:33 left to play in the half, the Tide drove for a critical score. With the aid of a 15-yard penalty, Picayune drove six plays, scoring on a 15-yard pass from Mitchell to J.W. Rawles. The extra point was good, and with just 13 seconds left in the half, the lead was extended to 21-7.

"That was a turning point," Gaudin said. "I knew that the touchdown would deflate us,

and it was a big momentum swing."

The Hawks came out and played inspired defense for the first two series of the second half, stopping the Tide on three-play each time.

But Hancock's offense couldn't move the ball, and 4:41 to play in the third, the wheels dropped off.

Faced with a punting situation for their own 34, the Hawks were only able to manage a four-yard punt, giving the Tide great field position at the 38.

Picayune cashed in four plays later, as Oliver hit Brown dirt from four yards out. The extra-point try was a busted play run in by Brian Harris, leaving the Tide with a 29-7 lead.

Things got worse for the Hawks, as the ensuing kickoff was fumbled and the Tide recovered at the 33. Two plays later, Picayune was in the endzone again as Justin Magee ran in a 24-yard touchdown. The point after was good, and just like that, the Tide led 36-7.

Picayune added a late touchdown, taking advantage of a fumble punt by the Hawks at their own 12.

The Hawks couldn't get any closer, and the final score was 42-7.

"We were in good shape, but Picayune had more depth," Gaudin said. "They were able to rotate about 10 linemen and we only used about six. It was hot, and the young guys wore down a little in the second half."

The Hawks were led by Necaise, who completed 9 passes on 20 attempts for 96 yards. Jackson picked up 62 yards on 10 carries.

The Hawks will travel to St. Stanislaus next week to take on the rival Rock-a-chaws. Hancock won a tight affair last year with a late fourth-quarter touchdown.

Local gymnasts win state champion titles, win spot on MS regional gymnastics team

Several local gymnasts recently won Mississippi State Gymnastic Championship titles and earned the honor to represent Mississippi at the USAG Level 8 Regional Championships.

Alysha Pretzello, Amanda Dearman, Emma Brumfield and Melinda Fernandez of Lanier's School of Gymnastics recently competed in the Level 8 USAG Mississippi State Gymnastic Championships in Starkville.

The gymnasts represented Lanier's well by winning 12 of the 15 gold medals available. In the final results, Alysha placed first All-Around in the 8/11-year-olds age group, Emma placed second All-Around in the

8/11-year-olds age group, Amanda placed first All-Around in the 12/13-year-olds age group, and Melinda placed first All-Around in the 14/15-year-olds age group.

Alysha, Amanda, Emma and Melinda not only won Mississippi State Champion titles, but also earned the top four spots, respectively, on the eight-member Mississippi Regional Gymnastics Team.

They went to Winston Salem, N.C. to represent Mississippi in the USA Gymnastics Region 8 Level 8 Championships. This competition consisted of the top eight gymnasts from the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina

and Florida.

The gymnasts competed well and gained invaluable experience that they can use in their upcoming regional and national competitions this season.

Alysha and Amanda live in Diamondhead and are students at Hancock Middle School. Emma lives in Gulfport and is a student at West Wortham School, and Melinda lives in Gulfport and is a student at St. John.

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SPORTS

SSC rocked by Eagles 37-0 in season opener

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

There was a muggy feeling in the air at Milner Stadium on Friday evening. Just before kickoff, it cooled off a bit and became like early fall football weather. It was finally showtime between the Eagles of St. John and the Rock-a-chaws of St. Stanislaus. However, the happiness soon faded away.

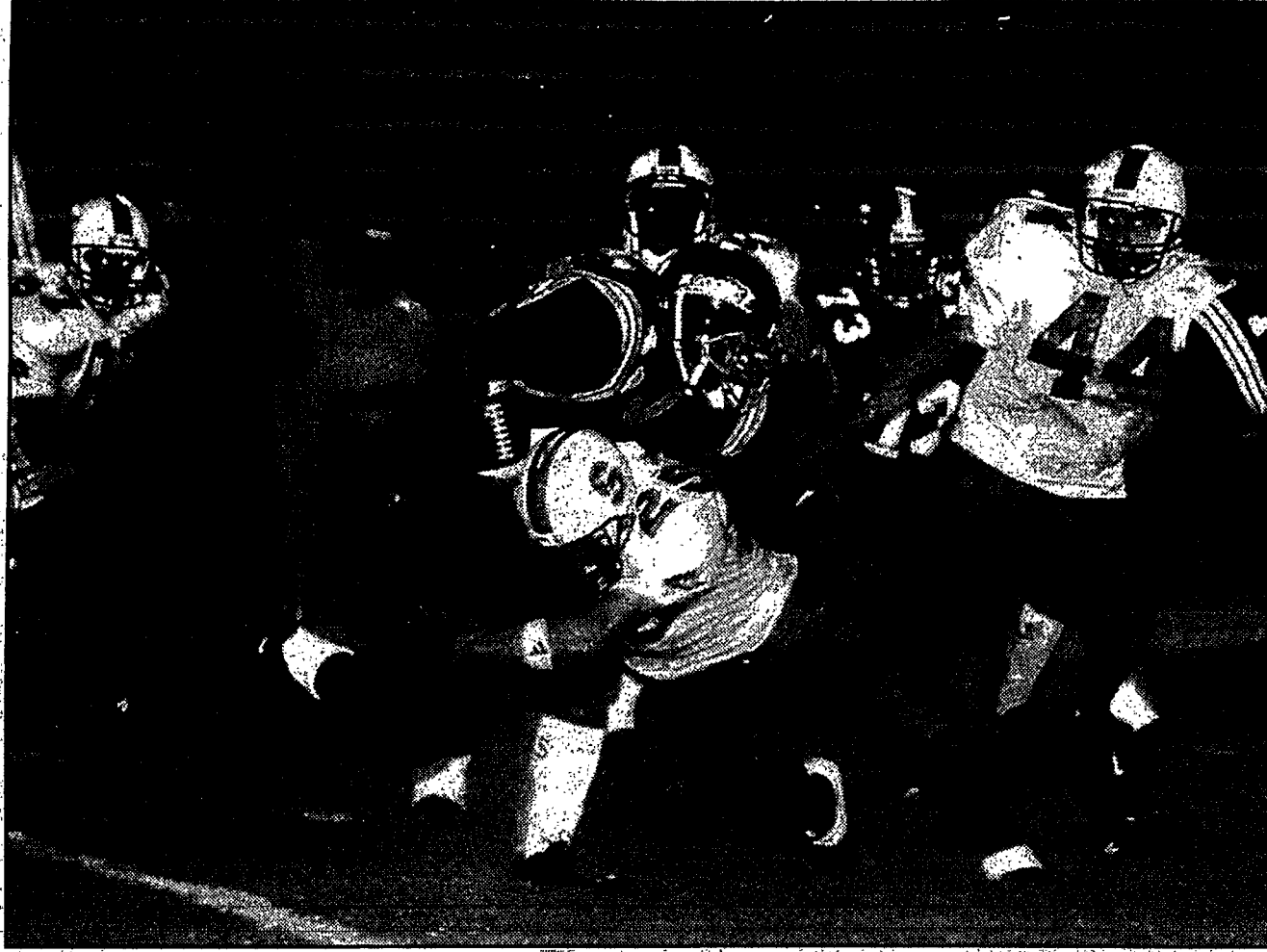
The Rocks fell prey to the Eagles by the score of 37-0. The game was played rather close in the first half with St. John jumping out to a 14-0 lead at intermission. But, in the fourth quarter the heavens opened and it poured down on the Rocks. St. John scored 23 points in the final stanza including a safety with four minutes remaining to close the doors on the Rocks.

Both teams traded possessions to start the game. On the second play of their second possession, Joe Barker scored for the Eagles on a 46-yard run with 7:37 left in the first quarter. Chris Symmes connected on the PAT to make the score 7-0.

The Rocks offense sputtered and gave the ball back to the Eagles. The Rocks defense held firm and kept the Eagles out of the red zone forcing them into a 30-yard field goal situation. The Rocks' defense was led by Frederick Mallini, Dustin Coogan, and Gabe Willis. Symmes missed the 30-yard field goal with :36 left in the first quarter.

Unable to do anything with the ball, the Rocks turned the ball back over to the Eagles on a Jeremy Keller punt.

Lee Klein and the Rock-a-chaw defense held firm with Klein collecting two tackles on the series. The big play was a forced fumble by Gabe Willis



Despite some good defense, the St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws fell 37-0 to the St. John Eagles.

ECHO STAFF PHOTO BY JOE GEX

which Coogan recovered at the Rock nine yardline. However, the Rocks fumbled the ball right back to the Eagles.

St. John wasted no time in capitalizing on the Rocks' miscue. Leo Casey bulldozed his way into the endzone from seven yards out with 8:02 left in the second quarter. Symmes connected on the PAT to make the score 14-0.

The Rocks put on their best drive of the first half going 12 plays and 46 yards. The drive seemed like it would end with another Keller punt. Keller boomed a 51-yarder and St. John was called for roughing the kicker on the play. The flag

gave the Rocks an automatic first down and new life.

The Rocks pushed the ball down to the Eagle 36 but to no avail. Rob Smith carried the ball three times for 15 yards on the drive while Dustin Coogan tallied a first down for the Rocks on a 16-yard pass from Jeremy Lewis. St. John ran the clock out to end the half after the turnover on downs.

SSC opened the second half with an interception; however, the defense came out to play in the third quarter. The two teams traded possessions during the entire third quarter and the first part of the fourth quarter. The Rocks were led on

defense by Mallini, Klein, Matt Chester, Willis, and Michael Cure.

But, in the fourth quarter, the Eagles exploded for 23 straight points to take the wind out of the Rocks' sails.

With 7:39 left to play, Don Harrien sprinted 53 yards off-tackle for a touchdown. Symmes PAT made the score 21-0. Two plays later, Barker scored on a 33-yard interception return. Symmes' PAT made the score 28-0 with 7:17 left to play.

The final touchdown of the night for the Eagles came on an 80-yard pass from Garner Wetzel to Barker with 4:31 left to play. Symmes' PAT was good

making the score 35-0.

The Rocks fumbled the ensuing kickoff and were stopped deep in their own territory. The Eagles sacked the Rock quarterback in the endzone for a safety on the second play of the drive to round out the scoring for the game. The final score was 37-0.

SSC fifth-year head coach Dave Kenson stated, "We had a general letdown tonight. We played a well-coached football team and we made several mistakes. During the game, we made some big plays but then followed it up, immediately, with a mistake or a penalty. Then, we are facing a second and 18 situation. In the second half, the defense played even with St. John. But, then we had breakdowns. We started one

senior on offense and one senior on defense tonight. Neither of those two had varsity experience last season. We have to correct our mistakes. I thought Gabe Willis was a workhorse for us tonight and Rob Smith had some nice plays. Jeremy Keller had a very good game punting for us."

Keller averaged 35 yards on seven kicks. Willis had three catches for 22 yards to go along with one rush for 12 yards. He also added a fumble recovery and 10 tackles on defense. Klein, a freshman, recorded 14 total tackles and one forced fumble. The Rocks will play host to cross-county rival Hancock "between the walls" on Friday, September 7 at 7:30pm. See you at the game!

Pass wins 30-13

In a game delayed for more than an hour by driving rain, lightning and loud thunder, the Pass Christian Pirates defeated visiting Pearl River Central, 30-13.

Senior quarterback Calvin Woods passed for two touchdowns and scored on a 90 yard run as Pass won its opener.

Richard Dedeaux pulled in the two scoring passes from

Woods, one for 40 yards and the other for 15.

The Pirates also scored on two fumble returns. Corey Brown recovered and returned the ball 73 yards for a touchdown. Jason Lizana raced 56 yards after picking up the loose ball.

The Pirates will face the Bearcats at Long Beach next Friday.

Pass Ladies Golf results

Pass Christian Isles Ladies Golf Association July 31 Low Gross winners include:

18 Holes:

First Flight: Pat Ellis

Second Flight: first, Nancy Hamby; second, Dee Horst;

third, Nancy Witt

Third Flight: first, Norma Kucera; second, Ellie D'Antoni

9 Holes:

First Flight: first, Kay Love; second, Gwen Voights

Second Flight: first, May Ann Brennan; second, Judy Veltman

Crescents, Lady Tigers win again in volleyball

Bay High-Pass Christian
The Bay High School Lady Tigers defeated the Pass Christian Lady Pirates, 15-12, 15-11; Thursday night in high school volleyball action. Shavon Willis scored 11 points for the lady Tigers and Sarah Gilmore added six.

In the junior varsity game, Pass Christian won in three sets, 15-7, 11-15, 16-14.

Bay High will host the Long Beach Lady Bearcats Tuesday at 6 p.m.

OLA-Mercy Cross
Our Lady Academy upended Mercy Cross, 15-5, 15-1,

Thursday night in volleyball play. Rachel Granford scored 15 points for the Crescents. Grace Allen and Emily Meyers added five points each. Katherine Milner and Meyers combined for eight kills while Julie Rebol had 11 assists. The team is 5-1 overall and 4-0 in district play.

In the junior varsity contest, OLA won, 15-2, 15-6, to improve their record to 3-3. Jordan Fisher had 12 points and Lauren Renz added five.

OLA will travel to Pass Christian Tuesday to face the Lady Pirates at 6 p.m.

NBA pre-season game canceled

The Oct. 9 NBA exhibition game between the Indiana Pacers and the Atlanta Hawks has been canceled. Contractual obligations required by the Indiana Pacers were not met in time by the Atlanta-based promoter.

"We are extremely disappointed that the Indiana Pacers will not be playing in Biloxi this fall. Everyone in the community - from the arena personnel and

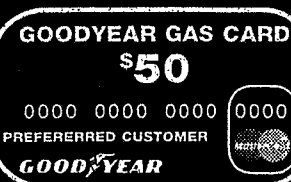
the city's hospitality staffs to the fans who already had purchased tickets - were very cooperative and enthusiastic about the game. We hope that we will be able to schedule a Pacers game in Biloxi or the surrounding area again soon," said Dale Ratermann, Pacers senior VP of marketing.

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SPORTS

Bay High's running game 'thunders' over Long Beach 42-6

BY MAURICE SINGLETON
Contributing Writer

The Bay High Tigers - Long Beach Bearcats football game was delayed two hours due to a severe lightning, thunder and rain storm, but Bay High brought a storm of their own in a ground game that bolted and struck the 5A Bearcats for 420 yards in the Tigers' 42-6 rout at Long Beach on Friday night.

"I think this is a signature win for us," said Tigers' Coach Glenn Williams. "Since November we've been in the weight room, doing the things we needed to do."

"I said earlier that our offensive line was going to be key, and they were tonight."

The Tigers offense took charge from the opening kickoff with their own version of Thunder and Lightning as Charles Hawkins pounded the Bearcats for 120 yards and two touchdowns, and Monroe Jordan struck past Bearcats' defenders for 261 yards and three touchdowns.

The Bearcats appeared to be stunned as Jordan and Hawkins burst through gaping holes at the line of scrimmage and into the Bearcats secondary.

The Tigers failed to score on their opening drive, turning the ball over on a mishandled snap at the Long Beach one yardline. But the Tigers' defense showed right away that it would be a force to reckon with, holding the home team to three snaps and a punt.

The Tigers' defense held Long Beach to three snaps again following a Tigers' fumble on the punt return. In fact, the Tigers didn't allow a first down on the Bearcats' first three possessions.

The Tigers put together their first scoring drive following the



Photo by Maurice Singleton
Monroe Jordan carries for 33 yards in the first quarter at Long Beach on Friday night. The junior runningback rushed for a game high 261 yards.

third Bearcats' punt. Facing a third-and-six for a first down, quarterback Adam Barrett completed a 24-yard pass to Johnny Hozey for a first down at the Long Beach 32-yardline.

Hawkins capped the drive with an 18-yard run for the score with 9:23 remaining in the second quarter. Timmy Wright's PAT kick gave the Tigers a 7-0 lead. Freshman Lorenzo Lewis carried for a 9-yard run on the drive.

Long Beach quarterback Eddie Burger got going on the ensuing drive, completing passes of 18, 5, 8 and 29 yards, but the Tigers defense would not allow a score, holding the Bearcats to a 42-yard fieldgoal attempt. The snap was mishandled and downed at the Long Beach 37-yardline.

Jordan carried three times for gains of 11, 10 and 10 yards, and Barrett completed a pass to

Lewis for 6 yards before Hawkins capped the drive for

his second score of the night with a 28-yard run. The Tigers led 13-0 at the 2:04 mark of the second quarter.

The Bay High defense went to work again on the Bearcats' ensuing possession. Joseph Hawkins punished the Bearcats for a mishandled snap, sacking Bearcats' quarterback Burger for a nine-yard loss, forcing yet another punting situation.

The Tigers fielded the punt at the Long Beach 40-yardline with approximately a minute remaining on the timekeepers wrist clock (stadium clock was out of order).

Following a 5-yard loss on a running play to Hawkins, Barrett completed two passes, the first a 5-yard screen to Hozey, the second a 27-yarder to Terrace Thomas for a first down at the Long Beach 13-yardline. But the clock ticked away, closing out the first half.

The Tigers defense opened the second half with the same

intensity they showed in the first half. The Tigers gave up a first down on an offside call, but that was all they were giving up as they forced the Bearcats to punt, facing a fourth-and-sixteen for a first down.

The Tigers were flagged for a clip on the punt return; the 15-yard penalty moved the ball to the Tigers' own 25 yardline for their first offensive snap of the second half.

On the very first play from scrimmage, Jordan evaded tacklers near the sideline and dashed 75 yards for his first touchdown of the season. Wright's second successful PAT kick gave the Tigers a 20-0 lead.

The Bearcats didn't pick up a first down on either of their next two possessions as the Tigers' collapsed on Burger and covered well in the secondary. The Tigers' offense drove the field on their possession, but fumbled near the Bearcats 1 yardline.

The Tigers had their best field position of the night, following the Bearcats failed attempt to pick up a first on fourth down at their own 25 yardline. The Tigers took over on downs. On the first play from scrimmage, Hawkins slashed through the line of scrimmage for a 20-yard gain, giving the Tigers a first and goal from the 5 yardline. Two plays later, Thomas carried three yards for the score.

Wright lined up for the PAT kick, but what appeared to be a bad snap was perfect as Barrett ran back and fired to Jordan in the end zone for a successful 2-point conversion. The Tigers led 28-0.

Burger put Long Beach on the scoreboard on a 10-yard keeper to open the fourth quarter. The PAT kick was blocked,

and that was all the scoring the Bearcats could produce.

The Tigers scored two more times in the fourth quarter. Joseph Hawkins fielded the Bearcats' onside kick at the Bay High 45 yardline. Just as he opened the Tigers third quarter, Jordan opened the fourth quarter Tiger's possession with a 55-yard run for a score. Wright's successful PAT kick increased the Tigers lead to 35-6.

On the Bearcats' ensuing possession, Seth Weigel jarred the football from the hands of Burger and the Tigers recovered at the Long Beach 18 yardline. An 11-yard pass completion from Barrett to Hawkins, a face mask penalty against the

Bearcats and a one-yard Hawkins run gave the Tigers a first and goal at the Bearcats 1-yardline. On second-and-goal, Jordan carried two yards for his third touchdown on the night. Wright's fifth successful PAT kick closed the game's scoring at 43-6.

On the night, the Tigers put up 498 yards of offense, 420 rushing yards and 78 yards from Barrett's seven of ten pass completions (without an interception).

Defensively, the Tigers held Long Beach to a meager five first downs.

The Tigers will host St. John at J.D. McCullough Stadium at Bay St. Louis next Friday night.

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Gulfcoast Shotokan Karate students place in national Junior Olympics

Four Karate students from the Gulfcoast Shotokan Karate Club of Waveland, under the direction of Rannie Ladner, made a strong showing in the 2001 AAU Jr. Olympic games in Hampton, Va.

One had to place first through fourth in the National Competition to qualify for the Jr. Olympic Games.

Jeffery Weathersby and Brooks Meyers, team mates of Waveland had to compete in the same age division, so they were put on opposite sides of the brackets.

They ended up meeting each other in the finals. Brooks edged out Jeffery by only half a point to become the 2001 Jr. Olympic Champion.

They have fought each other several times in the club, so they seemed to be very comfortable in the finals. Both are very competitive, and they both like to win.

Brooks' older brother is stationed in Hampton, Va. in the Navy, and this was his first time to see his younger brother compete.

So there were three people from the Waveland area at the Olympic Games who were very



A winning team

happy, Brooks, his brother and their father.

Jeffery's younger brother Robin Weathersby also did very well in the tournament. He fought very well and won several fights, but was eliminated in the semi finals.

He had the wind knocked out of him on two different occasions,

which seem to take a little of the fight out of him. He went on to place third.

Sky Thomson of Bay St. Louis did very well. He ended up fighting the 2001 National Champion Nick Bluminthal of Chicago. Sky fought very well, losing by half a point, but still went on to place third.

Hancock softball banquet set

Hancock County Little League Softball will hold its award banquet Sunday, Sept. 9 at 4 p.m. at the Hancock County Civic Center on Longfellow Road. Players are asked to wear their regular season jersey.

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PATRICIA CANTRELL
 Patricia Cantrell of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, in Kenner.

Arrangements are incomplete at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

MARGIE COBB
 Margie Cobb, 41, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, Aug. 28, 2001, in Mobile.

Mrs. Cobb was an accounting supervisor for Cooper Power Systems and was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Craig Cobb; two daughters, Lisa Page and Morgan Cobb; a son, Ian Cobb, all of Bay St. Louis; her parents, Alvin and Dorothy Knue of Lumberton; two sisters, Diana Nixon and Susan Adam, both of Lumberton; and three brothers, Henry Knue of Biloxi, Travis Knue of Lumberton and Scott Knue of Hattiesburg.

Services were conducted Friday at White Funeral Home Chapel in Lumberton with burial in Seneca Cemetery.

KATHLEEN GARDACHE
 Kathleen Marie Vigreux Gardache, 76, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, in Slidell.

She was a native of New Orleans and a longtime resident of Bay St. Louis. She was of the Catholic Faith. She was a real estate broker for Gardache Real Estate for 45 years.

She was preceded in death by her son David Gardache; her parents, Gilbert and Mary Kelly Vigreux; and a brother, James Vigreux.

Survivors include her husband, Elmore Lloyd Gardache; son Richard Gardache of Chalmette; daughter Mary Alice Gardache of Bay St. Louis; two brothers, Gilbert Vigreux of Meroux, La. and George Vigreux of Long Branch, Tx.; two sisters, Helen V. Boris of Harahan and Isabelle Bertrand of California; 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held today at 2 p.m. at Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis. Interment will follow.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

JAMES HOGAN
 James Hogan, 66, of Bay St. Louis, died Sunday, Aug. 26,

2001, in Bay St. Louis. Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

JOHN LANGUIRAND
 John Marshall "Beaver" Languirand, 48, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, at Memorial Hospital in Gulfport after a long illness.

Mr. Languirand was a lifetime resident of Bay St. Louis. He was a graduate of Bay High School and attended Jefferson Davis Junior College.

He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis. He was a descendant of Supreme Court Justice John Marshall, after whom he was named.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Janie Eldredge Languirand; and brother George Eldredge Languirand.

Survivors include his father, Marcel Joseph Languirand of St. Petersburg, Fl.; brother Joseph Languirand Jr. of Abbeville; sister and brother-in-law Janie Edith Languirand Coles and Dr. Chet Coles of Baton Rouge; brother Hartwell Alison Languirand of Abbeville; and uncle George M. Eldredge of Abbeville.

A visitation will be held today from 4-7 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

The service will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis, where friends may call after 9 a.m. A graveside service will be held Monday at 4 p.m. in the Graceland Cemetery at Abbeville.

SAMUEL ROGERS JR.
 Samuel Edward Rogers, Jr., 77, of Diamondhead, died Wednesday, August 29, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Rogers was a native of Delaware, Ohio, and a resident of Kentwood, La., before moving to Diamondhead one year ago. He was a Methodist. He was a veteran serving in the United States Navy and was retired from Exxon as a designer draftsman.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel Edward and Emma Comston Rogers, Sr.; and a brother, Charlie Rogers.

Survivors include his wife, Ivane Smith Rogers of Diamondhead; three sons, John David Kelley of Kiln, Douglas N. Kelley, III of Edwards, Miss. and Thomas Lynn Kelley of Vicksburg; a brother, Ray Rogers of Arkansas; two sisters, Charlotte Wagner of Maumer, Ohio and Faye Aston Hubb of Katy, Texas a granddaughter and a grandson.

Visitation was Friday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service and interment in

Biloxi National Cemetery.

CHARLES SCIANNA SR.
 Charles C. Scianna Sr., 73, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Scianna was a lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis. He was of the Catholic faith and a lifelong member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. He was a veteran of the United States Army.

He was a member of the Italian Society of the Immaculate Conception; Knights of Columbus, Pere de Luc Council #1522, 4th degree; Assistant scoutmaster of America Troop, 208; MS Municipal Association; member of American Legion Post 139; Rural Route Caries Association; was a Bay St. Louis city councilman for 10 years; and retired from the U.S. Postal Service as a rural route carrier after 32 years.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Beverly Favre Scianna; parents Giovanni Giuseppe and Marguerite Greco Scianna; four brothers, Anthony Scianna, Jasper, Steve and Pete Faucetta; and three sisters, Josephine Gulino, Antonia Finster and Francis Faucetta.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Lusich Scianna of Bay St. Louis; five sons and their wives, Chuck and Rita Scianna of Pasadena, Tx., Steve and Paula Scianna, Sr. of Picayune, Kenneth and Vicki Scianna of Houston, Peter Scianna of Bay St. Louis, and Paul and Paige Scianna of Kansas City, Mo.; four daughters and their husbands, Mary Ann and Mike Benvenuti, Danita and Joe Luttrell, Julie Ann Scianna, all of Bay St. Louis and Linda and Bill Van Hoose of Lawrenceville, Ga.; and 16 grandchildren.

A visitation will be held today from 7-10 p.m., with a recitation of the Rosary, at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, Bay St. Louis.

Interment will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, Bay St. Louis. The family prefers donations to Our Lady of the Gulf Renovation Fund, P.O. Box 208, Bay St. Louis MS, 39521.

NORMAN SHIYOU
 Norman Jeffrey "Jeff" Shiyou, 21, of Kiln, died Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2001, in Kiln.

Mr. Shiyou was born in Hattiesburg and was a lifelong resident of Kiln. He was a 1998 graduate of Hancock High School and attended Jeff Davis Junior College. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather,

Crayton Shiyou; and his maternal grandparents, Rev. Owen E. and Edna Mae Wilson Patton, Sr.

Survivors include his parents, Norman Joseph and Carol Patton Shiyou of Kiln; a brother, Nicholas Josh Shiyou of Kiln; and his grandmother, Lola Shiyou Ladner of Bay St. Louis.

Visitation was Friday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A prayer service was conducted Saturday at Shiloh Baptist Church in Necaise Crossing. Interment followed in Patton Cemetery in Saucier.

RUSSELL SOIGNIER
 Russell J. Soignier of Kiln died Thursday, Aug. 30, 2001, in Kiln.

Mr. Soignier was sent to Jacob Schoen & Son Funeral Home in New Orleans for services and burial.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of local arrangements.

M. WATSON-DAVIS
 Mary L. "Mommie" "Shad" Watson-Davis, 94, of Pass Christian, died Monday, Aug. 27, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Watson-Davis was born Jan. 9, 1907, in Pass Christian.

She was a member of First Missionary Baptist Church in Pass Christian where she was president of the seniors choir for more than 50 years, Sunday School superintendent for 40 years, Bible drill leader of BTU for many years, and Mission Union Bible leader for 30 years. She was a member of the BTU Congress and was secretary of the finance committee from 1974 until her retirement. She was a member of Heroines of Jericho, DeLisle Court 301A.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Davis; a daughter, Ethel Lee Jackson; a stepson, Johnny Davis; a stepdaughter, Ellen Hatcher; her parents, John and Rebecca Handy Watson; four brothers, Isaac Watson, Sam Watson, Johnny Watson and Simuel Hall; nine sisters, Allean Rhodes, Gracie Merriel, Viola White, Ethel Jackson, Ruby Chambers, Josephine Taylor, Ester Anderson, Hulda Hall and Sadie Hall; and two great-grandsons, Ahmad Devon and Eric Ahmad Bradley.

Survivors include two daughters, Doris Bradley of DeLisle and Mary Beatrice of Toledo, Ohio; a son, Ervin Lee Jackson of Pass Christian; 21 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and 16 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Saturday at First Missionary Baptist Church. Burial was in Baptist Cemetery in Pass Christian directed by J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.

New Master Gardener basic training class starts

A new Master Gardener Training Class for Hancock County residents is starting in September. To register for the course, applicants must complete an application and submit a check made out to the Gulf Coast Master Gardener Association for \$100 (\$50 of which will be refunded to the applicant when Master Gardener certification is complete).

The packet with the application can be picked up at either the Hancock County Extension Office in the Human Resources Building at 3064 Longfellow Drive, Bay St. Louis, or at the Harrison County Extension office at 2316 17th Street.

To be included in this course, the packet and the \$100 check

must be delivered to the Harrison or Hancock County Extension Office by noon Sept. 10.

On Sept. 13, applicants will be screened, and the first class will be Friday, Sept. 21.

All classes after the first class will be held on Thursdays with the starting time to be arranged. There will be no classes scheduled during the Thanksgiving week.

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Northrop Grumman delivers Navy ship ahead of schedule

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"We are very pleased with the performance of PILILAAU, and with the ahead-of-schedule delivery," said Tom Kitchen, president of Ship Systems' Avondale operations.

"The trials were so successful because our many skilled craftsmen produced the most complete ship yet. The New Orleans Supervisor of Shipbuilding, the Naval Sea Systems Command, and the men and women of Avondale have created a remarkable team. We are proud to once again deliver a great Avondale-built ship to the U.S. Navy."

Vice Adm. Gordon S. Holder, U.S. Navy, commander, Military Sealift Command, made note of Avondale's outstanding performance on PILILAAU.

"Northrop Grumman has built several classes of ships for the Military Sealift Command like PILILAAU, and each has been better than the last," he said. "This workforce has undergone many changes - working to become more efficient and more effective - and a lot has been accomplished."

Rear Adm. Dennis G. Morral, U.S. Navy, program executive officer, Expeditionary Warfare, toured PILILAAU prior to its delivery.

Weatherly attends advanced training class in St. Louis

Ron Weatherly, the Waveland representative for the financial-services firm Edward Jones, attended one of the firm's advanced training classes in St. Louis Mo.

In this class representatives focus on assessing the individual needs of investors, study more advanced investments and learn how these investments can be used to meet specific investment needs.

Representatives also receive individualized training to sharpen their investment skills and develop a business plan to

"The ship looked magnificent. Our senior inspector noted that the operational performance, material condition, and fit and finish of PILILAAU were by far the best to date," said Admiral Morral. "The pride and patriotism of the Northrop Grumman team shows through loud and clear."

PILILAAU and her sister ships of the class are designed to support the nation's ability to deploy military equipment and supplies quickly to U.S. troops around the world and provide prepositioning and surge sealift capacity to contingency areas worldwide.

The 950-foot-long, large, medium-speed, roll-on/roll-off ships of the BOB HOPE Class are among the largest in the Navy fleet, longer than three football fields. The ship is designed and constructed with more than 380,000 square feet of cargo capacity and is capable of carrying up to 1,000 military wheeled or tracked vehicles and other cargo.

Northrop Grumman Ship Systems is headquartered in Pascagoula and includes the Avondale Operations in New Orleans, the Ingalls Operations and the Full Service Center, both located in Pascagoula.

Ship Systems, which currently employs 17,000 shipbuilding professionals, primarily in Louisiana and Mississippi, is one of the nation's leading full service systems companies for the design, engineering, construction, and life cycle support of major surface ships for the U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard, and international navies, and for commercial vessels of all types.

Lindsey named to Hancock's "private banking team"

Hancock Bank vice president Pam Watson Lindsey recently joined the company's private banking team, according to an announcement by Hancock's chief executive officer, George A. Schloegel.



Pam Lindsey

A Hancock employee for over 24 years, Lindsey formerly managed Hancock's main Pascagoula branch.

As a private banker, she will support Hancock's wealth management group, primarily in Jackson County.

The Pascagoula native and Pascagoula High School graduate attended Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and the University of Southern Mississippi.

She holds all American Institute of Banking diplomas and attended the Mississippi School of Banking, Cannon Trust School, Campbell University Trust School, and Hancock Bank's consumer and commercial lending schools.

Lindsey is a member of Pascagoula's Rotary Club and the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce.

Unemployment rate drops to 4.7% in July

The state's unemployment rate dropped to 4.7 percent in July fueled by job gains in the agricultural sector of the economy, the Mississippi Employment Security Commission (MESC) announced recently.

The 4.7 percent July rate was down from 5.3 percent in June and matched the national unemployment rate of 4.7 percent for the month.

Agriculture gained 5,600 jobs during July. Employment gains were also posted in the construction, food products, banks and credit institutions and amusement sectors. Overall employment rose by 7,500 for a total of 1,252,000 Mississippians working.

Manufacturing continued its slide losing 2,100 jobs in July. Most of the job losses were in the industrial machinery category.

Only seven counties recorded double-digit rates of unemployment. Holmes County had the state's highest rate at 16.8 percent, followed by Jefferson at 16.1 percent, Chickasaw at 12.8 percent, Issaquena at 11.9 percent, Quitman at 10.8 percent, Monroe at 10.8 percent and Sunflower at 10 percent.

Lamar County had the state's lowest rate at 2.1 percent, followed by Rankin and DeSoto Counties at 2.2 percent and Lafayette County at 2.5 percent.

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BELLSOUTH/BLS	37.30	- .64
BOEING/BA	51.20	- 2.43
CALGON CARBON/CCC	8.15	- .18
CHEVRON CORP/CHV	90.75	- 2.05
COCA COLA/KO	48.67	- .54
CSX CORP/CSX	35.34	- .65
DUPONT/DD	40.97	- 1.28
GENERAL ELEC/GE	40.98	- 1.01
GOODYEAR TIRE/GT	24.50	- .73
HANCOCK HOLDING CO/HBHC	42.93	- .82
INTL BUSINESS MACHINE/IBM	100.00	- 6.99
INTL PAPER CO/IP	40.12	- 1.15
K MART CORP/KM	10.04	- .20
LOCKHEED MARTIN/LMT	39.86	+ .02
PARK PLACE ENT/PPE	10.63	- .14
PEOPLES FINANCIAL/PFBX	18.30	+ 1.43
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REGIONS FINANCIAL/RGBR	28.65	- .25
ROCKWELL INTL CORP/ROK	29.40	- 1.45
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UNION PLANTERS/UPC	44.50	- .80
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PATRICIA CANTRELL
 Patricia Cantrell of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, in Kenner.

Arrangements are incomplete at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

MARGIE COBB
 Margie Knue Cobb, 41, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, Aug. 28, 2001, in Mobile.

Mrs. Cobb was an accounting supervisor for Cooper Power Systems and was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Craig Cobb; two daughters, Lisa Page and Morgan Cobb; a son, Ian Cobb, all of Bay St. Louis; her parents, Alvin and Dorothy Knue of Lumberton; two sisters, Diana Nixon and Susan Adam, both of Lumberton; and three brothers, Henry Knue of Biloxi, Travis Knue of Lumberton and Scott Knue of Hattiesburg.

Services were conducted Friday at White Funeral Home Chapel in Lumberton with burial in Seneca Cemetery.

KATHLEEN GARDACHE
 Kathleen Marie Vigneux Gardache, 76, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, in Slidell.

She was a native of New Orleans and a longtime resident of Bay St. Louis. She was of the Catholic Faith. She was a real estate broker for Gardache Real Estate for 45 years.

She was preceded in death by her son David Gardache; her parents, Gilbert and Mary Kelly Vigneux; and a brother, James Vigneux.

Survivors include her husband, Elmore Lloyd Gardache; son Richard Gardache of Chalmette; daughter Mary Alice Gardache of Bay St. Louis; two brothers, Gilbert Vigneux of Meraux, La. and George Vigneux of Long Branch, Tx.; two sisters, Helen V. Boris of Harahan and Isabelle Bertrand of California; 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held today at 2 p.m. at Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis. Interment will follow.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

JAMES HOGAN
 James Hogan, 66, of Bay St. Louis, died Sunday, Aug. 26,

2001, in Bay St. Louis. Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

JOHN LANGUIRAND
 John Marshall "Beaver" Languirand, 48, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, at Memorial Hospital in Gulfport after a long illness.

Mr. Languirand was a lifetime resident of Bay St. Louis. He was a graduate of Bay High School and attended Jefferson Davis Junior College.

He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis. He was a descendant of Supreme Court Justice John Marshall, after whom he was named.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Janie Eldredge Languirand; and brother George Eldredge Languirand.

Survivors include his father, Marcel Joseph Languirand of St. Petersburg, Fl.; brother Joseph Languirand Jr. of Abbeville; sister and brother-in-law Janie Edith Languirand Coles and Dr. Chet Coles of Baton Rouge; brother Hartwell Alison Languirand of Abbeville; and uncle George M. Eldredge of Abbeville.

A visitation will be held today from 4-7 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

The service will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis, where friends may call after 9 a.m. A graveside service will be held Monday at 4 p.m. in the Graceland Cemetery at Abbeville.

SAMUEL ROGERS JR.
 Samuel Edward Rogers Jr., 77, of Diamondhead, died Wednesday, August 29, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Rogers was a native of Delaware, Ohio, and a resident of Kentwood, La., before moving to Diamondhead one year ago. He was a Methodist. He was a veteran serving in the United States Navy and was retired from Exxon as a designer draftsman.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel Edward and Emma Comston Rogers, Sr.; and a brother, Charlie Rogers.

Survivors include his wife, Ivane Smith Rogers of Diamondhead; three sons, John David Kelley of Kiln, Douglas N. Kelley, III of Edwards, Miss. and Thomas Lynn Kelley of Vicksburg; a brother, Ray Rogers of Arkansas; two sisters, Charlotte Wagner of Maunier, Ohio and Paye Aston Hubb of Katy, Texas a granddaughter and a grandson.

Visitation was Friday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service and interment in

Biloxi National Cemetery.

CHARLES SCIANNA SR.
 Charles C. Scianna Sr., 73, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Scianna was a lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis. He was of the Catholic faith and a lifelong member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. He was a veteran of the United States Army.

He was a member of the Italian Society of the Immaculate Conception; Knights of Columbus, Pere de Luc Council #1522, 4th degree; assistant scoutmaster of America Troop, 208; MS Municipal Association; member of American Legion Post 139; Rural Route Caries Association; was a Bay St. Louis city councilman for 10 years; and retired from the U.S. Postal Service as a rural route carrier after 32 years.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Beverly Favre Scianna; parents, Giovanni Giuseppe and Marguerite Greco Scianna; four brothers, Anthony Scianna, Jasper, Steve and Pete Faucetta; and three sisters, Josephine Gulino, Antonia Finster and Francis Faucetta.

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A visitation will be held today from 7-10 p.m., with recitation of the Rosary, at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, Bay St. Louis.

Interment will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, Bay St. Louis. The family prefers donations to Our Lady of the Gulf Renovation Fund, P.O. Box 208, Bay St. Louis MS, 39521.

NORMAN SHIYOU
 Norman Jeffrey "Jeff" Shiyou, 21, of Kiln, died Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2001, in Kiln.

Mr. Shiyou was born in Hattiesburg and was a lifelong resident of Kiln. He was a 1998 graduate of Hancock High School and attended Jeff Davis Junior College. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather,

Crayton Shiyou; and his maternal grandparents, Rev. Owen E. and Edna Mae Wilson Patton, Sr.

Survivors include his parents, Norman Joseph and Carol Patton Shiyou of Kiln; a brother, Nicholas Josh Shiyou of Kiln; and his grandmother, Lola Shiyou Ladner of Bay St. Louis.

Visitation was Friday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A prayer service was conducted Saturday at Shiloh Baptist Church in Necaise Crossing. Interment followed in Patton Cemetery in Saucier.

RUSSELL SOIGNIER
 Russell J. Soignier of Kiln died Thursday, Aug. 30, 2001, in Kiln.

Mr. Soignier was sent to Jacob Schoen & Son Funeral Home in New Orleans for services and burial.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of local arrangements.

M. WATSON-DAVIS
 Mary L. "Mommie" "Shad" Watson-Davis, 94,

Christian, died Monday, Aug. 27, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Watson-Davis was a member of the Missionary Baptist Pass Christian where she was president of the senior more than 50 years. She was a member of the finance committee of the church since 1974 until her retirement was a member of the Jericho, DeLisle Court.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John; daughter, Ethel Lee; stepson, Johnny Davis; daughter, Ellen Hatt; parents, John and Handy Watson; four sons, Isaac Watson, Sam, Johnny Watson and Hall; nine sisters, Rhodes, Gracie, Mary White, Ethel, Jackson, Chambers, Josephine, Ester Anderson, Hill and Sadie Hall; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Survivors include two sons, Doris Bradley of Ohio; a son, Ervin Lee of Pass Christian; 21 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and 16 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were Saturday at First Baptist Church. Burial in Baptist Cemetery in Christian directed by J. Funeral Home in Gulfport.

New Master Gardener basic training class starts

A new Master Gardener Training Class for Hancock County residents is starting in September. To register for the course, applicants must complete an application and submit a check made out to the Gulf Coast Master Gardener Association for \$100 (\$50 of which will be refunded to the applicant when Master Gardener certification is complete).

The packet with the application can be picked up at either the Hancock County Extension Office in the Human Resources Building at 3064 Longfellow Drive, Bay St. Louis, or at the Harrison County Extension office at 2316 17th Street.

To be included in this course, the packet and the \$100 check

must be delivered to the Harrison or Hancock County Extension Office by noon Sept. 10.

On Sept. 13, applicants will be screened, and the first class will be Friday, Sept. 21.

All classes after the first class will be held on Thursdays with the starting time to be arranged. There will be no classes scheduled during the Thanksgiving week.

For more information, call Dot Evans, secretary at the Harrison County Extension Service, at 228-865-4227.

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PATRICIA CANTRELL
 Patricia Cantrell of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, in Kenner.

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MARGIE COBB
 Margie Cobb, 41, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, Aug. 28, 2001, in Mobile.

Mrs. Cobb was an accounting supervisor for Cooper Power Systems and was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Craig Cobb; two daughters, Lisa Page and Morgan Cobb; a son, Ian Cobb, all of Bay St. Louis; her parents, Alvin and Dorothy Knue of Lumberton; two sisters, Diana Nixon and Susan Adam, both of Lumberton; and three brothers, Henry Knue of Biloxi, Travis Knue of Lumberton and Scott Knue of Hattiesburg.

Services were conducted Friday at White Funeral Home Chapel in Lumberton with burial in Seneca Cemetery.

KATHLEEN GARDACHE
 Kathleen Marie Vigreux Gardache, 76, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, in Slidell.

She was a native of New Orleans and a longtime resident of Bay St. Louis. She was of the Catholic Faith. She was a real estate broker for Gardache Real Estate for 45 years.

She was preceded in death by her son David Gardache; her parents, Gilbert and Mary Kelly Vigreux; and a brother, James Vigreux.

Survivors include her husband, Elmore Lloyd Gardache; son Richard Gardache of Chalmette; daughter Mary Alice Gardache of Bay St. Louis; two brothers, Gilbert Vigreux of Meroux, La. and George Vigreux of Long Branch, Tx.; two sisters, Helen V. Boris of Harahan and Isabelle Bertrand of California; 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held today at 2 p.m. at Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis. Interment will follow.

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JAMES HOGAN
 James Hogan, 66, of Bay St. Louis, died Sunday, Aug. 26,

2001, in Bay St. Louis. Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

JOHN LANGUIRAND
 John Marshall "Beaver" Languirand, 48, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, at Memorial Hospital in Gulfport after a long illness.

Mr. Languirand was a lifetime resident of Bay St. Louis. He was a graduate of Bay High School and attended Jefferson Davis Junior College.

He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis. He was a descendant of Supreme Court Justice John Marshall, after whom he was named.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Janie Eldredge Languirand; and brother George Eldredge Languirand.

Survivors include his father, Marcel Joseph Languirand of St. Petersburg, Fl.; brother Joseph Languirand Jr. of Abbeville; sister and brother-in-law Janie Edith Languirand Coles and Dr. Chet Coles of Baton Rouge; brother Hartwell Alison Languirand of Abbeville; and uncle George M. Eldredge of Abbeville.

A visitation will be held today from 4-7 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

The service will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis, where friends may call after 9 a.m. A graveside service will be held Monday at 4 p.m. in the Graceland Cemetery at Abbeville.

SAMUEL ROGERS JR.
 Samuel Edward Rogers, Jr., 77, of Diamondhead, died Wednesday, August 29, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Rogers was a native of Delaware, Ohio, and a resident of Kentwood, La., before moving to Diamondhead one year ago. He was a Methodist. He was a veteran serving in the United States Navy and was retired from Exxon as a designer draftsman.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel Edward and Emma Comston Rogers, Sr.; and a brother, Charlie Rogers.

Survivors include his wife, Ivane Smith Rogers of Diamondhead; three sons, John David Kelley of Kiln, Douglas N. Kelley, III of Edwards, Miss. and Thomas Lynn Kelley of Vicksburg; a brother, Ray Rogers of Arkansas; two sisters, Charlotte Wagner of Maunier, Ohio and Faye Aston Hubb of Katy, Texas a granddaughter and a grandson.

Visitation was Friday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service and interment in

Biloxi National Cemetery.

CHARLES SCIANNIA SR.
 Charles C. Scianna Sr., 73, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Scianna was a lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis. He was of the Catholic faith and a lifelong member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. He was a veteran of the United States Army.

He was a member of the Italian Society of the Immaculate Conception; Knights of Columbus, Pere de Luc Council #1522, 4th degree; assistant scoutmaster of America Troop, 208; MS Municipal Association; member of American Legion Post 139; Rural Route Caries Association; was a Bay St. Louis city councilman for 10 years; and retired from the U.S. Postal Service as a rural route carrier after 32 years.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Beverly Favre Scianna; parents Giovanni Giuseppe and Marguerite Greco Scianna; four brothers, Anthony Scianna, Jasper, Steve and Pete Faucetta; and three sisters, Josephine Gulino, Antonia Finster and Francis Faucetta.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Lusich Scianna of Bay St. Louis; five sons and their wives, Chuck and Rita Scianna of Pasadena, Tx., Steve and Paula Scianna, Sr. of Piquette, Kenneth and Vicki Scianna of Houston, Peter Scianna of Bay St. Louis, and Paul and Paige Scianna of Kansas City, Mo.; four daughters and their husbands, Mary Ann and Mike Benvenuti, Danita and Joe Luttrell, Julie Ann Scianna, all of Bay St. Louis and Linda and Bill Van Hoose of Lawrenceville, Ga.; and 16 grandchildren.

A visitation will be held today from 7-10 p.m., with recitation of the Rosary, at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, Bay St. Louis.

Interment will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, Bay St. Louis. The family prefers donations to Our Lady of the Gulf Renovation Fund, P.O. Box 208, Bay St. Louis MS, 39521.

NORMAN SHIYOU
 Norman Jeffrey "Jeff" Shiyou, 21, of Kiln, died Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2001, in Kiln.

Mr. Shiyou was born in Hattiesburg and was a lifelong resident of Kiln. He was a 1998 graduate of Hancock High School and attended Jeff Davis Junior College. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather,

Crayton Shiyou; and his maternal grandparents, Rev. Owen E. and Edna Mae Wilson Patton, Sr.

Survivors include his parents, Norman Joseph and Carol Patton Shiyou of Kiln; a brother, Nicholas Josh Shiyou of Kiln; and his grandmother, Lola Shiyou Ladner of Bay St. Louis.

Visitation was Friday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A prayer service was conducted Saturday at Shiloh Baptist Church in Nacaise Crossing. Interment followed in Patton Cemetery in Saucier.

RUSSELL SOIGNIER
 Russell J. Soignier of Kiln died Thursday, Aug. 30, 2001, in Kiln.

Mr. Soignier was sent to Jacob Schoen & Son Funeral Home in New Orleans for services and burial.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of local arrangements.

M. WATSON-DAVIS
 Mary L. "Mommie" "Shad" Watson-Davis, 94, of Pass Christian, died Monday, Aug. 27, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Watson-Davis was born Jan. 9, 1907, in Pass Christian.

She was a member of First Missionary Baptist Church in Pass Christian where she was president of the seniors choir for more than 50 years, Sunday School superintendent for 40 years, Bible drill leader of BTU for many years, and Mission Union Bible leader for 30 years. She was a member of the BTU Congress and was secretary of the finance committee from 1974 until her retirement. She was a member of Heroines of Jericho, DeLisle Court 301A.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Davis; a daughter, Ethel Lee Jackson; a stepson, Johnny Davis; a stepdaughter, Ellen Hatcher; her parents, John and Rebecca Handy Watson; four brothers, Isaac Watson, Sam Watson, Johnny Watson and Simuel Hall; nine sisters, Allean Rhodes, Gracie Merriel, Viola White, Ethel Jackson, Ruby Chambers, Josephine Taylor, Ester Anderson, Hulda Hall and Sadie Hall; and two great-grandsons, Ahmad Devon and Eric Ahmad Bradley.

Survivors include two daughters, Doris Bradley of DeLisle and Mary Beatrice of Toledo, Ohio; a son, Ervin Lee Jackson of Pass Christian; 21 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and 16 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Saturday at First Missionary Baptist Church. Burial was in Baptist Cemetery in Pass Christian directed by J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.

New Master Gardener basic training class starts

A new Master Gardener Training Class for Hancock County residents is starting in September. To register for the course, applicants must complete an application and submit a check made out to the Gulf Coast Master Gardener Association for \$100 (\$50 of which will be refunded to the applicant when Master Gardener certification is complete).

The packet with the application can be picked up at either the Hancock County Extension Office in the Human Resources Building at 3064 Longfellow Drive, Bay St. Louis, or at the Harrison County Extension office at 2316 17th Street.

To be included in this course, the packet and the \$100 check

must be delivered to the Harrison or Hancock County Extension Office by noon Sept. 10.

On Sept. 13, applicants will be screened, and the first class will be Friday, Sept. 21.

All classes after the first class will be held on Thursdays with the starting time to be arranged. There will be no classes scheduled during the Thanksgiving week.

For more information, call Dot Evans, secretary at the Harrison County Extension Service, at 228-865-4227.

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Bush signs veterans legislation

President Bush recently signed into law the "Veterans' Survivor Benefits Improvement Act," H.R. 801 (now Public Law 107-14), authored by Congressman Chris Smith (NJ), the chairman of the House Veterans Affairs Committee. This bill adds \$100 million in new health care benefits for surviving spouses of veterans.

"We have a sacred obligation to care for our 'Gold Star Wives,' spouses of service members who were killed in action or died from service-related causes," Smith said.

"With the enactment of this new legislation, we now treat the surviving spouses of veterans in the same manner as those of military retirees who received similar benefits last year under the 'TRICARE for Life' enhancements," he said.

With the President's signature, new life insurance and health care benefits have been created for up to two million eligible spouses and children of veterans.

Specifically, the new law includes provisions to:

1. Expand health coverage under the Civilian Health and Medical Program - Veteran

Affairs (CHAMPVA) for survivors of veterans who died from a service-connected disability.

Under this provision, CHAMPVA beneficiaries who are Medicare-eligible will now receive coverage similar to TRICARE for Life improvements granted to DoD beneficiaries last year.

The new coverage will be automatic for CHAMPVA beneficiaries already eligible for Medicare on the date of enactment, which was June 5, 2001.

Future Medicare-eligible CHAMPVA beneficiaries will have to obtain Medicare Part B coverage before receiving the new benefit.

2. Expand the Service Members Group Life Insurance (SGLI) program to include spouses and children. Spousal coverage will increase to amounts of up to \$100,000, and child coverage will increase to amounts of up to \$10,000. Upon



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termination of SGLI, the spouse's policy can be converted to a private life insurance policy.

3. Make an effective date of increased maximum SGLI coverage from \$200,000 to \$250,000 retroactive to October 1, 2000 for deaths in direct military "performance of duty."

4. Require the VA to make eligible dependents aware of VA services through the media and other outreach efforts. Many veterans are eligible for VA services and benefits, but do not know how to apply or even whether they are eligible at all.

This provision is intended to help more of the country's needy

veterans get the benefits and services they have earned through service to the nation.

Without an aggressive and pro-active outreach program, unfortunately, many surviving spouses would never know about these and other benefits they are eligible to receive.

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Northrop Grumman delivers Navy ship ahead of schedule

USNS PILILAAU (TAKR 304), the fifth of seven BOB HOPE Class Strategic Sealift ships being built by Northrop Grumman Corporation's (NYSE: NOC) Ship Systems sector, departed Avondale Aug. 24 after being delivered to the U.S. Navy ahead of schedule one month earlier.

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"The trials were so successful because our many skilled craftsmen produced the most complete ship yet. The New Orleans Supervisor of Shipbuilding, the Naval Sea Systems Command, and the men and women of Avondale have created a remarkable team. We are proud to once again deliver a great Avondale-built ship to the U.S. Navy."

Vice Adm. Gordon S. Holder, U.S. Navy, commander, Military Sealift Command, made note of Avondale's outstanding performance on PILILAAU.

"Northrop Grumman has built several classes of ships for the Military Sealift Command like PILILAAU, and each has been better than the last," he said. "This workforce has undergone many changes - working to become more efficient and more effective - and a lot has been accomplished."

Rear Adm. Dennis G. Morral, U.S. Navy, program executive officer, Expeditionary Warfare, toured PILILAAU prior to its delivery.

Weatherly attends advanced training class in St. Louis

Ron Weatherly, the Waveland representative for the financial-services firm Edward Jones, attended one of the firm's advanced training classes in St. Louis Mo.

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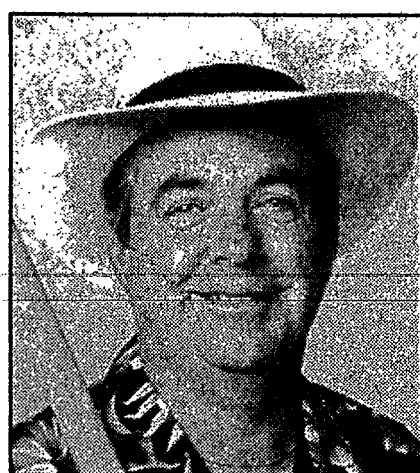
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SOUTHERN GARDENING
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Never underestimate the power of foliage in the landscape. Mass plantings of coleus, cascading sweet potatoes and Joseph's Coats that provided an exciting contrast in color and leaf texture inspired me during recent trip to the Southern Nurserymen Convention in Atlanta.

Tropicals mixed in these beds showed that nothing can transform a garden as does the inclusion of plants grown for their large foliage. In home landscapes, a perennial or cottage garden suddenly changes into an exotic tropical garden by adding a couple of bananas.

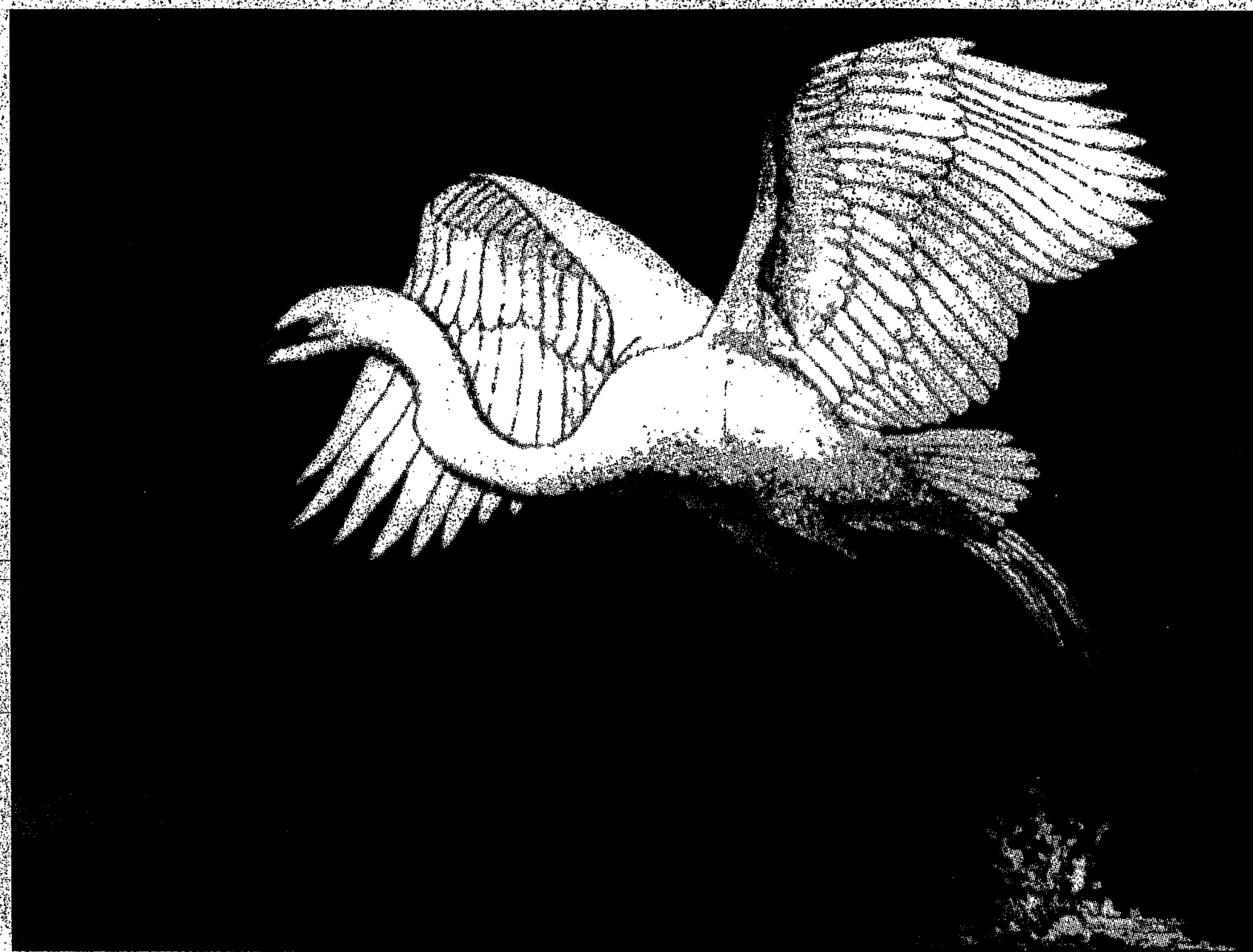
In Birmingham outside the Summit shopping complex, giant taro elephant ears combined with cannas and ornamental grasses on the hillside give the feeling you might just as well be overlooking Port au Prince, Haiti. Large leaves have the ability to manage our minds and direct our thought when we view a garden.

If you were to drive through a tropical rain forest like El Yunque in Puerto Rico, you would notice huge plants and what seems an almost never-ending variety of leaf textures.

Palms, rice-paper plants, umbrella plants, bamboos and saddle-leafed philodendrons are easy to grow and can change the mundane city garden into your version of the Garden of Eden.

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The Art of Olde Town



'Majesty II' by John Akers

Serenity presents Akers, formerly named Artist of the Year by Duck group

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Self-taught artist John Akers will introduce his newest limited edition copperplate etching "Bayou Oak" at the Serenity Gallery Second Saturday opening 5-8 p.m., Sept. 8. He will be signing etchings during the evening. "Bayou Oak" shows off his instantly recognizable style.

Akers says "I receive a great deal of satisfaction knowing that my style is mine, achieved through years of hard work and not influenced by any institution or individual, past or present."

Akers has been concentrating on the study and painting of wildlife, waterfowl, florals and hummingbirds. To paint these accurately, and thus realistically, requires tremendous research, skill and patience.

His duck paintings are among the best as evidenced by his being named the "Artist of the Year" in 1985 and 1989 by the Louisiana

Chapter of Ducks Unlimited.

In addition, Akers has done several supplemental prints for National Ducks Unlimited. In 1986 he was asked to paint the Louisiana Wild Turkey Federation Stamp.

In 1990, he did the official print and stamp for the Aquarium of the Americas. Also in 1990, he did the first-ever Reef Conservation Stamp and Print for Reef Keepers of America.

He since has done the first-ever print and stamp of the White Tiger for the Audubon Zoo. In 1991 he did the first Conservation Stamp and Print for the country of Belize to help preserve the Jaguar.

Akers' works are displayed in thousands of homes, offices and churches throughout the United States and in many countries. Akers was selected for a listing in "American Artists

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The event will showcase work by people who have established careers in other fields, but have found that love of the arts has become a pivotal influence in their lives.

This show will feature work by three different artists - the common thread between them all being the high level of craftsmanship they have attained.

"The whole idea is to have an annual event to showcase work by craftspeople who are producing extraordinary work but aren't yet well-known."

"Last year's show was one of our most popular," says Ellis Anderson, owner of Quarter Moon Gallery.

"All three of the artists we're

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Part of the 'Emerging Artists' showing at Quarter Moon Gallery.

Wanna be in pictures? 'Ready when you are, C.B.*'

I like movies.

I've said this before, but an interesting thing happened the other day that showed there are other people that like movies as well. That new place on Washington Avenue and the Beach, "Da Beach House" has started to present a series of Thursday evening talks by speakers talking on a wide assortment of topics.

Last week's talk was by a wonderful person, Gilberto Perez. A part-time Bay resident, Gilberto is a Professor of Film Studies at Sarah Lawrence College and is a movie critic for the Yale Review. His talk showed that he does know

movies and is doing what all of us want to do, i.e., make a living on what we would do for fun.

On the evening of his talk, the small foyer of the Beach House was packed and despite the overworked air conditioning, everyone stayed through his entire talk and for quite awhile afterward. It was an evening that I thoroughly enjoyed, as apparently did a number of other people.

What was particularly interesting to me was that Gilberto was born in Havana, Cuba and spent his childhood watching and falling in love with movies at the same time that I was doing the same thing in

Guantanamo, Cuba. I was on the Naval Base at Guantanamo and watched a movie every night for more than two years. These hundreds of movies became the basic store in my infatuation with movies.

While I loved the outdoor lyceum where we saw movies each evening (it only rained once during the time I was there), I most enjoyed them at the place where I stood overnight watches. This was on a small island in Guantanamo Bay called Dead Man's Cay. It was a wonderful isolated place in the middle of nowhere.

The other watch stander and I would bring several movies

with us when the large motor launch took us on the long evening ride to the island. This was always a delight to the two families that lived on the island and we would watch the movies back-to-back on a small porch of one of their houses that were built on a small hill.

The movies were shown using a noisy 16 mm projector and when the reels were being changed, I would sit and watch in the darkening light of the day the broad Bay and its armada of gray ships. Occasionally a large iguana about three or four feet long would thrash through the bushes behind the house or a giant land crabs would skitter

noisily over the tin roof.

Then the movie would restart and all of these alien scenes would disappear as we watched Fred Astaire do a fantastic dance in one long take of the camera or Alan Ladd do his quiet walk in "Shane."

Later I would walk my watch along the island's shoreline shining my heavy-duty light into the water. When I saw a reflection of two small eyes peering back at me, I would

Views From a Front Porch

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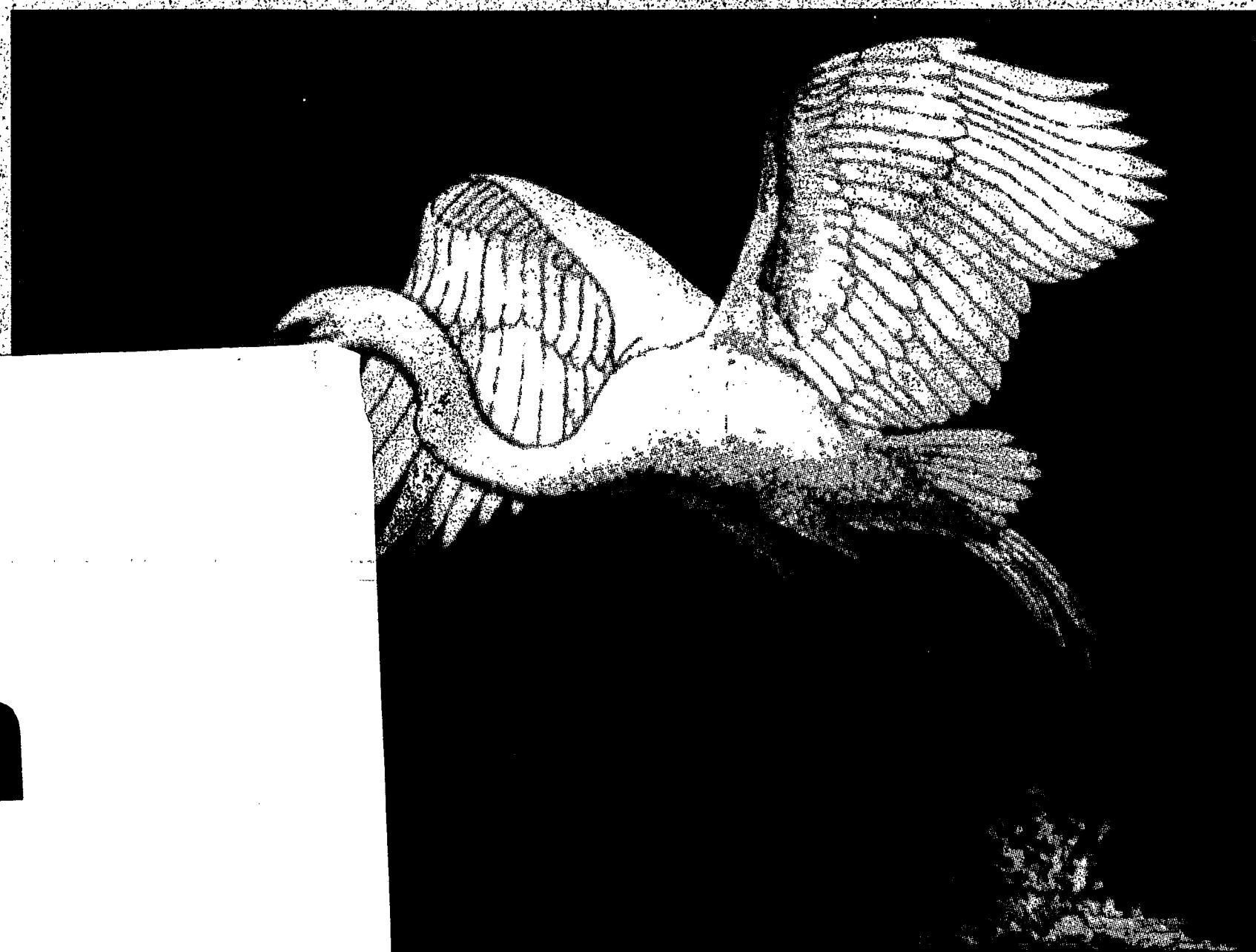
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School Days



Two employees from the Boeing Corporation presented school supplies to the fifth graders at Second Street Elementary School on Thursday. The donation was part of the company's "Books and Backpacks" program and donates supplies to schools each year. Pictured with the fifth graders are: Assistant Superintendent Debbie Cox, far left, Boeing engineer Gary Marshall, center, and Boeing Community and Education Coordinator Joyce Lawrence and teacher Kelly Case, right.

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Harter -- found dead

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4:30 a.m., Gazzo said.

Gazzo said Shiyou shot himself fatally, but the vehicle rolled into the intersection where it was struck by a van traveling east on Mississippi 53. Richard P. Chesbro of Gulfport was injured in the accident.

On Thursday, the Hancock County's Sheriff's Department, assisted by Harrison County law enforcement officers, Waveland Police and St. Tammany Parish officers launched a massive air and ground search for Harter in the vast buffer zone surrounding NASA's Stennis Space Center. Harrison County used its helicopter, the Stennis Airport plane was also in the air, and canines searched the woods and side roads north of I-10, side-by-side with lawmen and volunteers from the West Hancock County Fire Department.

At 9:45 p.m. Thursday,

Robert Lambert, chief investigator with the Hancock County Sheriff's Department, said dispatch got a call from someone suggesting the missing girl might be found at the residence of Shiyou's parents, at 603 Shiyou Road, in the upscale Jourdan River Shores subdivision off Mississippi 603.

Lawmen descended on the residence and began a meticulous search of the area. They found Harter's fully-clothed body stuffed in a recently dug, but not yet filled septic tank.

"We're still involved in the investigation because the body was found in Hancock County," said Sheriff Steve Garber. "But, we have some reason to believe the murder was committed in Harrison County and she was brought here."

Harrison County Coroner Gary Hargrove said an autopsy on Harter revealed she was strangled by someone's hands. She had been dead since

Monday, Hargrove concluded.

"There were some other blunt-force injuries found to her body, but they didn't lead to her death. They occurred just before the death," Hargrove said.

After Hargrove autopsied Shiyou, however, he said tests revealed nothing that would connect him with Harter's death.

The case remains under investigation.

A prayer service for Shiyou was conducted Saturday at Shiloh Baptist Church in the Necaise Crossing Community. Burial followed in Patton Cemetery in Saucier.

Shiyou is survived by his parents, Norman and Carol Patton Shiyou of Kiln; one brother, Nicholas, of Kiln; and grandmother, Lola Shiyou Ladner of Bay St. Louis. He was a 1998 graduate of Hancock High School and attended Jeff Davis Junior College.

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sites. Today and Monday are the last two days that the Water Park at Buccaneer will be open, so if you haven't made it out yet, this is your last chance.

Weaver, her husband Don, and their traveling cat, Oscar, all of Carlyle, Ill., are long-time campers at the park and said

last week they were looking forward to the weekend. Oscar is 14 years old and the Weavers have trained him to go outside and remain on the bright green, fake grass rugs spread in front of the trailer. Recently, the Weavers bought Oscar a screened-in tent so he would have a larger area in which to

play.

"We came to spend the winter and just stayed," said Don. "We love the park and we love the people. Everyone is welcome at our camp. Now Wanda is a volunteer. They found out that there was nothing she couldn't do around here, and may never let us leave."

Trailers -- banned?

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Harbor, Heron Bay and other areas zoned "R-2, Medium Density Residential."

Mobile home parks would be allowed "by right" in areas zoned "C-2 Highway Commercial, but would require approval by the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors before they can be placed in areas zoned "R-3, Multi-family Residential" and in areas zoned "C-1 Neighborhood Commercial."

Trailer homes will still be allowed in approximately 75 percent of the county in areas zoned mainly agricultural and commercial.

The five planning commissioners braced for the avalanche of comments, which were to come when the meeting started - about 20 minutes late. Each person wishing to speak was asked to sign in and each was asked to limit his or her comments to five minutes. Also on hand at the rear of the room, were all five Hancock County supervisors.

William Marino of Bayside Park was one of the first to object. Marino said he spent five years and \$60,000 clearing his lot at Royal Oak and Comeaux, which is in the "R-2 District," and, "Now, I find out I can't put a trailer there."

Shoreline Park Resident Sharon Casper likened the proposed regulations to Communism.

"When you buy property, you should be able to put anything on your property," she said. "This is not Russia. This is America." Her comments garnered applause from some in the audience.

Rusty Casper told commissioners he and his mother are handicapped, and can't afford to build a home. "It's (the regu-

lation's) not fair to us," he said. Attorney Chris D'Amour, representing the Mobile Home Manufacturers Association, told commissioners he learned of the proposed regulations Thursday morning. He asked commissioners to hold off a decision until they reviewed information he would supply them.

Other opponents asked the commission to continue to entertain trailer applications "on a case-by-case basis." They said sometimes the elderly might want to place a trailer on a lot their children own. Others might need to live in a trailer on a temporary basis while they are renovating an old house.

Suddenly, the mood in the room changed as opponents to trailers got their opportunity to speak.

Mark Duffy told commissioners he lives on 14th Street in Shoreline Park, and he could cite five examples of trailers in his area that are deteriorating and neglected.

"No one is opposed to anyone living in a mobile home. It's the deterioration that takes place," he said. He said trailers are constantly being moved in and out. "They should be curtailed," Duffy said. His comments also drew applause.

Norma Soree told commissioners she represented the Clermont Harbor Civic Association, and her membership supported the proposed trailer ban in residential areas "100 percent."

William Garcia said he settled in Bayside Park in the 1960s, and there were no trailers. "Now, we've got a big mess out there. We've got to eliminate them. They're being dragged in week after week.

They are a pile of crap."

Garcia's comments drew boos and applause.

S.T. Fichbein of Shoreline Park told commissioners, "People do not want to build a home and have a trailer next to them. ... Mobile homes don't hold their value. Dollar-for-dollar, you're better off with a home."

James White told the audience he had a pre-fabricated home built in Shoreline Park for \$18,000, and now it's worth \$130,000. "You can do it too," he said.

Jennifer Smith said she and her husband bought two lots on the waterfront in Bayou LaCroix and built a home for around \$60,000. "It's now worth \$130,000," she said.

"We bought because there are no mobile homes in the area," Smith said.

Barbara Mikelonis told the audience she was a mortgage broker, and recently moved to the Riverview area of Shoreline Park. She said she has personal experience that trailer homes depreciate the value of adjacent properties.

The comments lasted about 90 minutes, and commissioners took a short recess.

While some people were still outside, the motion was made to approve the trailer amendments, and it passed unanimously.

The new regulations also need approval of the Board of Supervisors, which is expected to take up the issue in mid-September once the recommendations of the Planning Commission come before the board.

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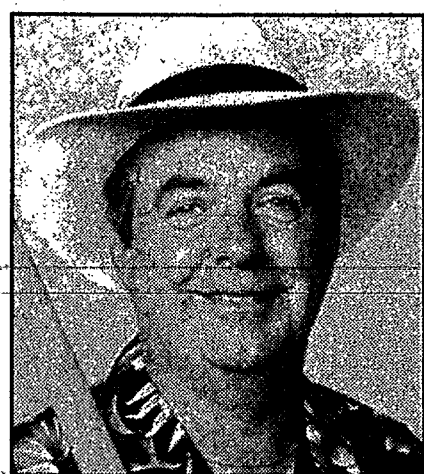
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Never underestimate the power of foliage in the landscape. Mass plantings of coleus, cascading sweet potatoes and Joseph's Coats that provided an exciting contrast in color and leaf texture inspired me during recent trip to the Southern Nurserymen Convention in Atlanta.

Tropicals mixed in these beds showed that nothing can transform a garden as does the inclusion of plants grown for their large foliage. In home landscapes, a perennial or cottage garden suddenly changes into an exotic tropical garden by adding a couple of bananas.

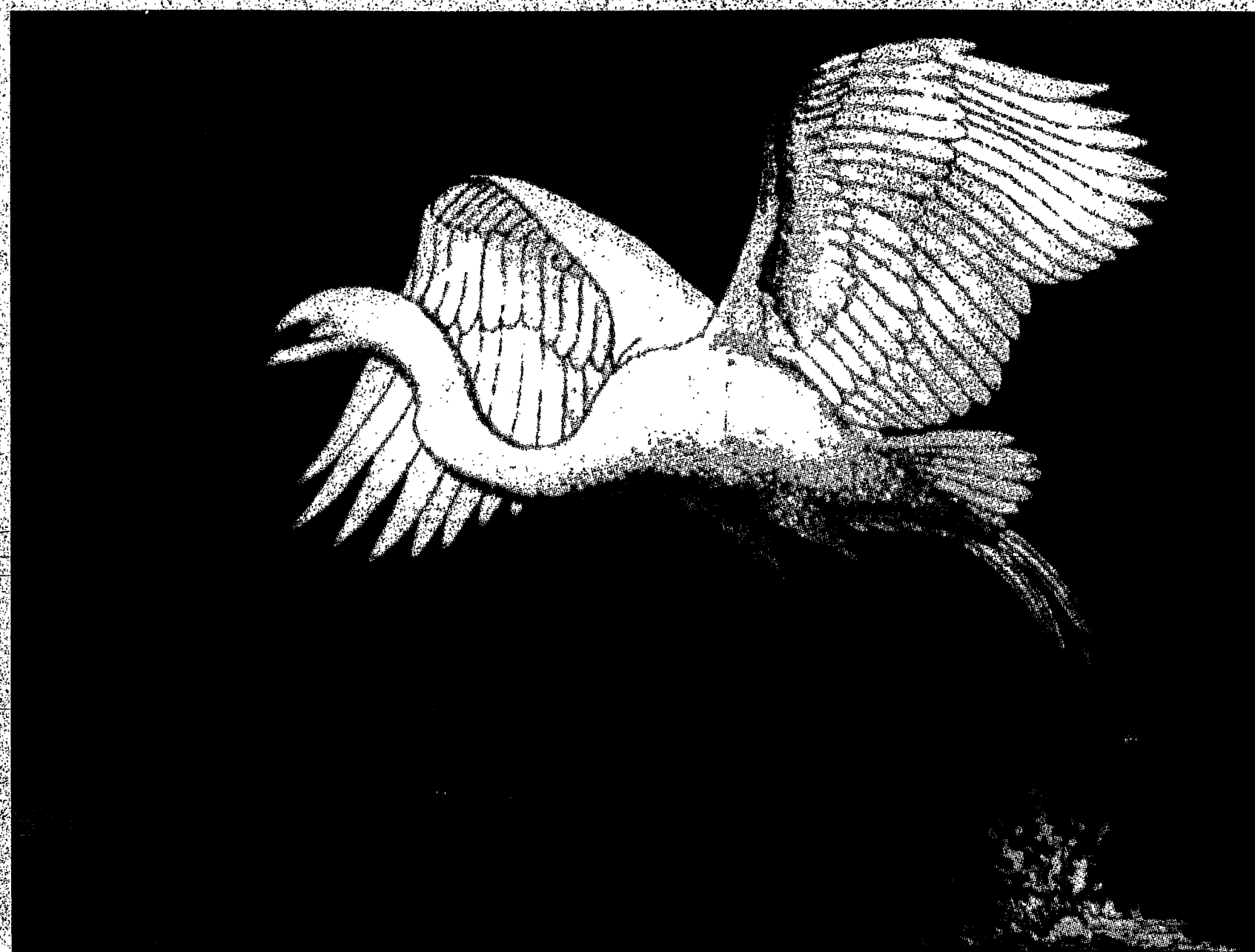
In Birmingham outside the Summit shopping complex, giant taro elephant ears combined with cannas and ornamental grasses on the hillside give the feeling you might just as well be overlooking Port au Prince, Haiti. Large leaves have the ability to manage our minds and direct our thought when we view a garden.

If you were to drive through a tropical rain forest like El Yunque in Puerto Rico, you would notice huge plants and what seems an almost never-ending variety of leaf textures.

Palms, rice-paper plants, umbrella plants, bamboos and saddle-leafed philodendrons are easy to grow and can change the mundane city garden into your version of the Garden of Eden.

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The Art of Olde Town



'Majesty II' by John Akers

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Most shops and galleries will be open from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Refreshments, live music and receptions for the artists will be from 5 to 8 p.m.

"HOT SPOTS"

PURPLE SNAPPER, 209 1/2 Main St., 228-467-7703.

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Views -- Movie star

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It truly is magic. You know that those are actors on the screen, that the settings you see are fake, that the scenes were not even made in the sequence that you see them. Yet it all becomes real to you as you watch it. Very real. And you can enter that magic "real" world whenever you watched that particular movie.

During the Depression, people went to movies to escape what was happening to them. In fact some movies were made just for that purpose by enterprising movie studios.

The popularity of the Shirley Temple movies was partially due their sunny, Pollyanna themes. They were unbelievably unrealistic, but who cared. During the war, movies were shown just a short distance from the front lines for the same reason.

Remember the loudspeakers in MASH? It worked, and GI's watching these movies were momentarily immersed in a

world far from where they actually were.

I love entering and re-entering these worlds. I have found that I often watch a movie many times, looking for some particular action that I love. The other night as Stella and I were about to go out for an evening, the television was on the Bravo Channel. They were showing "The Natural."

I insisted that we wait and watch the opening beautiful camera sequences. Then, "Just till Robert Redford hits one out of the stadium." We watched that and then some more as Stella fell in love with the sunlight shining through Glenn Close's hat.

A friend asked me recently to let her have a couple of movie tapes to see over the weekend, complaining, "All they have at the rental place is 'Jaws 16' and 'Chop Up On Elm Street.'" I offered her two tapes, "Paper Moon" and "Black Stallion." She refused them, saying that she had seen them.

"Yes," I said. "But these are great movies. The first twenty minutes of 'Black Stallion' is just of the boy and the horse and the sequence of them together in the water is almost a ballet! 'Paper Moon' is wonderful! It's a classic."

"I know they're good, Paul, remember I've seen them! I just don't watch movies twice, I don't have time."

I found some movies she hadn't seen and that was that. But I can't help wondering what it would have been like if we had been talking about Chopin's "Polonaise" or van Gogh's "Crows in a Corn Field." Does one hear or look at these only once? I went to see "Crows" when I was in Amsterdam and went back to see it every one of the five days I was there.

When I was young, movies only cost 11 cents. Yet it was the depression and that was too much money for my mother to give me. However, early on Saturday mornings a young man would walk the streets where I lived carrying a large bundle of colored sheets.

He would stand on the corner waiting and the kids in the neighborhood would run to him and he would hand out these colored sheets as if they were gold. Yet somehow before he left, every kid had a sheet. In truth, they were gold. Each was a free ticket to the children's matinee at the local theater!

My friends, George Dranko, Adolf Salib and I would go to the theater clutching these sheets. One of us would walk

with his eyes closed as the other two led him so that we could find our seats in the dark theater.

We spent the whole day there, watching Laurel and Hardy, Tom Mix, chapters of cliff hanging, truly terrible movies and then later in the afternoon we were allowed to stay to see the double feature, a "B" movie and a popular movie with Don Ameche or Errol Flynn. It was during this time that I fell in love with the Hungarian actress, Ilona Massey, particularly with the seductive beauty mark on her left chin.

Of course that was a long time ago and kids have the money to go to the movies now or can sit and watch them on television. But back then it was a fantastic treat that we loved. But strangely enough, none of us ever thought about who it was that secretly paid for all those wonderful Saturday matinees.

Well, I'm thinking about that person now and hope he or she somehow hears my thanks. It was a wonderful present that started a wonderful adventure that has lasted a very long time.

* The punch line of a very old joke about Cecile B. De mille.

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Moon -- Emerging Artists

featuring this year are people who are highly respected professionals but have decided to step out and explore something new.

"They're looking to learn and excel," Anderson says. "And they're all captivated by the feeling of joy and excitement that comes from immersing oneself in an art form."

Ruben De Santis is a name already associated with impeccable craftsmanship in the New Orleans area. He's built a sterling reputation based on his skills as a fine woodworker.

His talent for working with wood is not confined to wood, however. A few years ago, a good friend introduced him to the joys of working with clay and he became "hooked on throwing on the wheel."

"I've been involved in arts since I was very young," De

Santis says. "Clay allows me to express myself in a very special way. While at the wheel, I feel like I'm moving into another dimension. It's truly a creative moment for me."

Kathy Moseley McKeague discovered her love of clay earlier in life, working as a potter while in grad school. Eventually, she entered the business world and became a banker, relocating to the Gulf Coast from Baton Rouge in 1998. After a 30-year hiatus from throwing pottery, she began studying under popular Bay potter Regan Carney, who helped her rediscover her first love. She now has her own space in the Bay Artist's Coop and spends as much time in her studio as her schedule allows.

"Clay is a grand adventure," McKeague says. "It's full of anticipation and mind-boggling

possibilities. It's wildly delicious and delightfully maddening -- like a double dose of anything chocolate. I feel fortunate for a second chance to play in the mud!"

Marlene Saccoccia completes the trio of exhibitors with her fiber work and printmaking. A resident of Pass Christian for the past 10 years, she's been working with master printmaker Shelia Springer.

Three years ago she discovered the textile art of Shibori, which utilizes various ancient dyeing techniques. Since then, in addition to continuing her print-making work, Saccoccia has also been producing silk scarves, clothing and home accessories.

Saccoccia says she was originally drawn to a career as an occupational therapist partly because of the opportunity to

study various crafts.

Working as a pediatric therapist on the Gulf Coast for more than 20 years, she always managed to continue her pursuit of learning various techniques and art forms. She has currently retired from that work and is able to devote most of her time to her art and craft.

The opening reception for the Emerging Artists show will take place Sept. 8 from 5-8 p.m. during the 2nd Saturday Artwalk in Old Town Bay Saint Louis.

All of the artists will be available that evening to discuss their work and techniques. Refreshments will be served, and there will be live music.

Quarter Moon Gallery is located at 146 Main Street next to the Courthouse. For information, call Ellis Anderson at (228) 467-7279.

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Garden -- leaf

The El Yunque forest shares a similarity between forests in Oregon, Washington or Mississippi; ferns are on the forest floor. Sure, they are more cold hardy than the version in Puerto Rico, but the look and feel are the same. Combined with a non-tropical plant like a hydrangea, they convert the look of the garden.

Variation plays a prominent role in texture. Gardeners can get overwhelmed with a new variegated form of a plant coming out on what seems like a weekly basis. Some may be

considered gaudy or unattractive, but a good variegated plant adds great beauty and interest to the landscape.

In shady gardens, the easiest way to add definition, color and character is by including variegated plants. The Aucuba, variegated shell ginger, ctenanthe, caladium and New Guinea impatiens can enhance and brighten these areas.

We also can choose plants with bold leaf texture, variegation and colorful flowers. One such plant, seeing a revival in popularity is the Bengal Tiger

canna, which can transform a bed from one with just annuals to a look that you might expect to see on the island of Martinique. Other great variegated cannas are the Tropicanna or Phasion, Red Stripe, Kansas City, Cleopatra and Pink Sunburst.

Coleus like Solar Sunrise and Solar Eclipse, crotons and copper plants all add bold colors and variegation to the sunnier garden. There is most likely a variegated form of whatever plant you feel passionate about.

As you develop your beds, try to incorporate some plants that stand out because of their foliage. You will find your landscape becomes much more appealing.

Norman Winter is a horticulturist with Mississippi State University's Extension Service. His office is located at the Central Mississippi Research and Extension Center at 1320 Seven Springs Road, Raymond, MS 39154.

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Serenity -- Akers

of Renown," a book of Who's Who in American Art. His paintings have also been in television promotions, and are part of the permanent collection of the Memphis State Museum.

In addition to the aforementioned awards, Akers' works have won recognition in many contests throughout the South. His wildlife paintings have been featured in Louisiana Conservationist Magazine numerous times.

Because of Akers' busy schedule, many of the artworks

will be at Serenity for only one week. Some of his prints and

paintings will still be available at Serenity as usual.

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Hot Spots

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now she has branched out into yard sculptures and fountains. CHESSY'S, 110 S. Beach Blvd., 228-467-1565.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

A public hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 5, 2001 to provide the general public with an opportunity to comment on the taxing and spending plan incorporated in the proposed budget of The City of Bay St. Louis for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2001, and ending September 30, 2002.

The meeting will be held at the City Hall Annex, 111 Court St., at 5:30 pm. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and comment.

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Bilbo-Ladner to wed in August

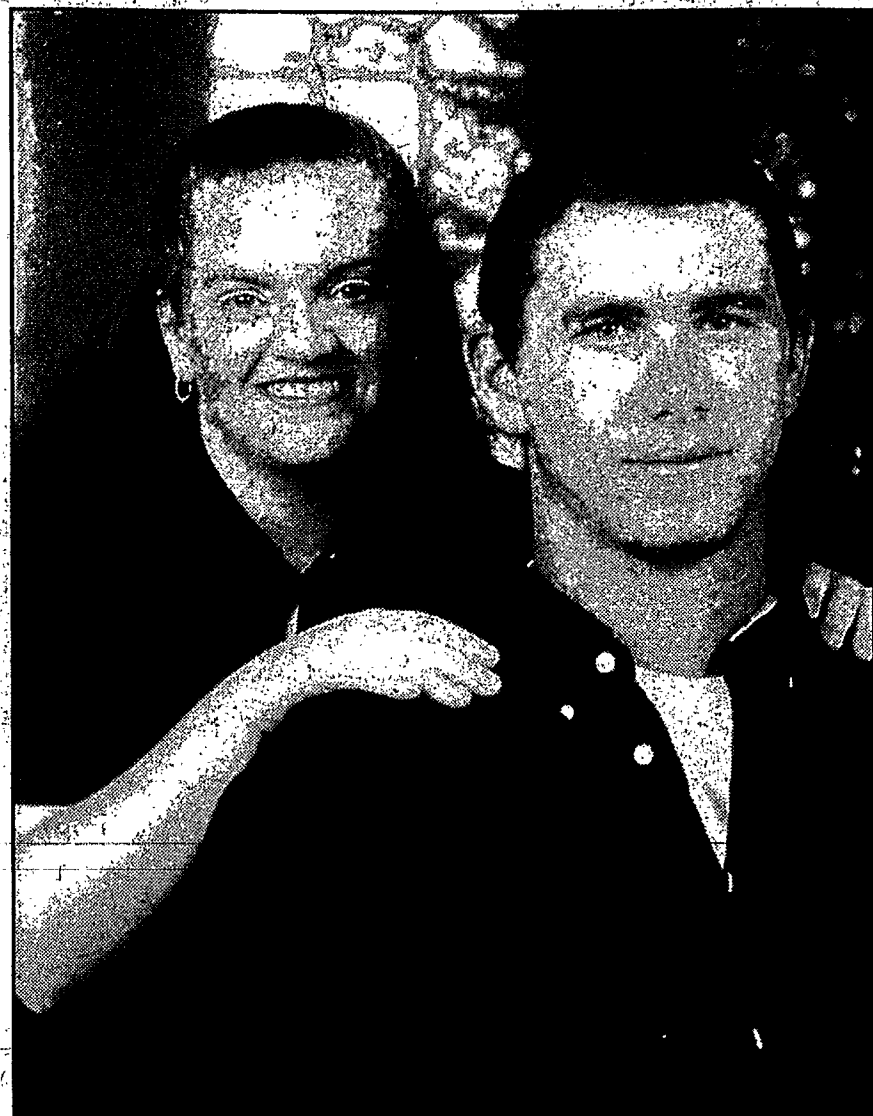
Lollice Charles Bilbo Jr. and Joan Bilbo of Kiln announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Amberley Lynne Bilbo, to Kelby Aaron Ladner, son of Shelby Ladner and Rhonda Ladner of Kiln.

The bride-elect is a Bay High School graduate and is employed with Bay Technical Associates.

The prospective groom is a Hancock High School graduate and is employed with Wilson's Welding Service.

The wedding will take place August 25, 2001 at 2 p.m. in Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

A reception will follow the ceremony at the Hancock County Civic Center.



Casey Lott and Adam Sauls



Amberley Bilbo and Kelby Ladner

Lott-Sauls to marry in November

Mary Lou Lott of Poplarville announces the engagement and forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Casey Margaret Lott, to Adam Sauls, son of Barbara and Gary W. Sauls of Hattiesburg.

The bride-elect is also the daughter of the late Mark Lott. She is a 1997 graduate of Poplarville High School and a 2001 graduate of the University

of Southern Mississippi.

The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Heidelberg Academy and a 2000 graduate of Mississippi College. He is the owner of Las Vegas Golf & Tennis in Hattiesburg.

The wedding will take place Nov. 10, 2001 at 7 p.m. in Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

A reception will follow at the Hattiesburg Country Club.

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Republican Women's Club meets Sept. 6th

The next meeting of the Hancock County Republican Women's Club will be Thursday, Sept. 6 at 11 a.m. at the Diamondhead Community Center.

On Aug. 15, the club held its annual fund-raiser luncheon at the Diamondhead Country Club with Senator Thad Cochran as guest speaker.

"All club members extend their thanks to the many guests who honored us with their attendance. Members were

especially pleased to welcome the ladies and gentlemen from the business community and also those from the Hancock County government," said Marta Sweeney, publicity chair.

Club president Lucette Worrell will be a delegate to the biennial convention of the National Federation of Republican Women in late September in San Antonio, Texas. The Hancock County club is part of this 120,000-member organization.

Lupus support group meets monthly

A Lupus Foundation of Mississippi education/support group meets 2 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month in the executive dining room at Gulf Coast Medical Center, 180 DeBuys Road, Biloxi.

Local rheumatologist Dr. Heather North will be the September speaker.

For information, call Shelia Pletcher at 436-9484 or 1-800-866-9606 for a free lupus information packet.

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TOPS 307 WAVELAND
TOPS MS 307 Waveland met Wednesday, Aug. 29 at the Waveland Public Library with 10 members present.

Rhonda was the week's best loser with 1 3/4 pounds. Paula was top KOPS. The club welcomed new members Janice and Juanita and welcomed Sharon

back. Visting was Doris.

The chapter meets every Wednesday at the Waveland Public Library. Weigh-ins are 4:30-5 p.m. with the meeting following.

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Entertainment

Farish St. Heritage Festival September 22 in Jackson

The smooth and funky sounds of 70s soul music will fill the air in downtown Jackson at the 2001 Farish Street Heritage Festival Saturday, Sept. 22 at 2 p.m.

Organizers announced the festival's theme, the "70s Soul Explosion," and a roster of top 70s music groups that will headline the event.

Main stage artists will include ConFunkShun, The Manhattans featuring Gerald Alston, The Temptation Review featuring Dennis Edwards, Lakeside, and The BarKays.

Blues artists Betty Wright and Mel Walters will headline the Heritage stage. The Gospel at Central (United Methodist Church) will feature The Jackson Southerners.

"The 1970s was a very unique time in history for many African-American musical groups and artists who reached the prime of their careers during that decade. We are excited about paying homage to this great period by providing the public with a musical showcase they can relate to, reminisce about and enjoy," said Farish Street Heritage Festival chair Alberta Ross Gibson.

The festival will return to its original three-day format with two new events open to the public and co-sponsored by national and local businesses.

The "Southwest Airlines 709 Soul Explosion Party" will kick-

off the festival on Friday, Sept. 21, at 9 p.m., at Freelon's Bar and Groove, 440 North Mill Street.

Freelon's is a new 17,000-square-foot nightclub and restaurant located in the Farish Street historic district. The event will feature a "Best 70 Costume Contest".

The grand prize winner will receive two round trip tickets anywhere Southwest Airlines flies. The festival will conclude with the "Pro-Line Make a Joyful Noise Gospel Lunch" on Sunday, Sept. 23 at the Black Water Café, 301 West Capitol Street.

Local church choirs and gospel artists will provide live, non-stop musical entertainment from 2 until 4 p.m. A lunch buffet will be served for a fee.

Pro-Line, the maker of Soft and Beautiful and Comb Thru relaxer for men, will offer guests free samples of its hair products.

The "Time Warner Cable Jazz Jam" at the Alamo Theater will return for a second year as a part of Saturday's festival line-up. This year's event will feature local jazz artists.

Now in its 23rd year, the Farish Street Heritage Festival is the second oldest African-American community-based festival in the state of Mississippi.

The event features four-

stages of live entertainment from national, regional, and local artists and performers. Festival patrons also enjoy the arts and crafts exhibition; a Kiddie Kottage for children, "soul food" and other ethnic delicacies, plus various cultural activities.

Farish Street Heritage Festival performances and event schedules are available on the Internet at www.robinsoncommunicationsllc.com under special events.

Crosby Arboretum Sept. programs

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Friday, Sept. 7, 9 to 11 am
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Kids: Build Your Own Birdhouse

Sat., Sept. 8, 10 to 11:30 am
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Suggested ages: 10-17. Program fee includes the cost of materials. Reservations are required by Friday, Sept. 7. Member children, \$5; nonmembers, \$7.

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The Crosby Arboretum is located in Picayune. Take I-69 to Exit 4 and follow the signs; or from the Gulf Coast, take I-10 to the Waveland exit and proceed north on Highway 603 to Highway 43 to Picayune. For information, call (601)-799-2311, ext. 21.



Anthony Franco Variety Show to benefit Alzheimer's Foundation

The Anthony Franco Variety Show, an evening of music, comedy, impressions and more, will be presented for one night only, Saturday, Sept. 29. The 7:30 p.m. performance is scheduled for the Holiday Inn Airport in Gulfport.

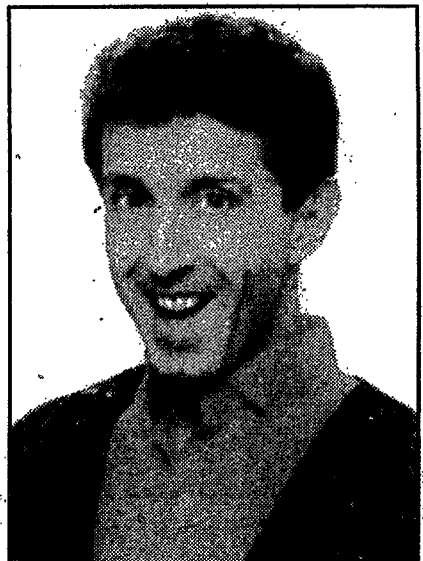
One-third of the proceeds benefits the Alzheimer's Foundation of the South. The 90-minute show features all the elements of a great Las Vegas style show - music, comedy, dancing, costumes and audience interaction.

Tributes to Neil Diamond, Buddy Holly and The King are highlights of the evening.

Franco returns to the Gulf Coast where he has proven himself as the energetic, world-class, seasoned entertainer whose many talents keep audiences enjoying his versatility.

He has been seen on TV in Family Matters, commercials

for The NFL and Home Shopping Network, Bud Lite in the U.K., and as Deputy Franco, the host of Cowboy Bob & Buster Show, aired in Central Florida daily on WRDQ-TV.



Anthony Franco

Blues Festival

The eleventh annual Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues & Heritage Festival is scheduled for Saturday, September 8, 11 a.m. until, at the Jackson County Fairgrounds in Pascagoula. The event will feature all day music, food, exhibits and refreshments. The Pat Murphy Band, also known as, "The honkinest horn band in 'Sippianaland'" is scheduled to perform at 4 p.m.

Franco's more than 15 years professional career highlights include performances with Pure Gold, Clutch, and Gold Fever show bands, with gigs in Germany, Switzerland and Saudi Arabia.

He has also performed at Boomtown, Treasure Island, and Isle of Capri in Biloxi; Casino Magic Bay St. Louis; Jubilee and Las Vegas in Greenville; and the Sterling Casino Cruise out of Port Canaveral, Fla.

Other notable performances include Universal Studios Florida, Norwegian and SeaScape Cruises, and numerous corporate events.

General admission tickets go on sale Sept. 7, by phone only. There is limited seating for the event at \$15, with one-third of the proceeds for the Alzheimer's Foundation.

Box office hours are 9 a.m. till 4 p.m. local, 228-872-0504; long distance 800-872-9TIX. Remaining tickets will be available at the door. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

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The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre's board of directors is looking for 220 supportive faces to attend an \$8,000 drawdown fund-raiser to provide a face-lift for the theatre's Boardman Avenue playhouse.

"Everyone loves the historical, charming old red barn that houses our productions," said board president Scott Darrah. "But we need to make some improvements to enhance the playhouse and to make it more comfortable both for audiences and production participants."

The planned improvements include air-conditioning and heating improvements, repairs to the building's foundation and stage restoration. The board also wants to upgrade the theatre's sound equipment.

The Drawdown Gala will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, at the Hancock County Civic Center on Longfellow Drive in Bay St. Louis.

It will include a gourmet buffet, the drawdown and the award of other prizes and will conclude with a dance at 9:30

p.m. Benny Grunch and The Bunch will provide the music. Set-ups will be available and people may bring their own liquor.

The menu for the buffet includes hummos with herbed pita chips and caponata with roast garlic bruchetta or appetizers, tossed green and mixed bean salads, brisket with vegetable gravy, Chicken Valencia, Italian meatballs with tomato-basil sauce, orange sweet potato soufflé, roasted fall vegetables and white rice. Dessert will include assorted small cakes and cookies and noodle kugel with fruit sauce.

The drawdown will begin at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$100 each. People may share tickets, but no more than two people per ticket will be admitted to the gala.

For tickets, call The Purple Snapper, 209 Main St., Bay St. Louis, 467-7703, the BSLLT at 467-2587 or Elaine Harter at 463-0129. BSLLT board members also have tickets.

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FICTION

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2 **CANE RIVER**, by Lalita Tademy. (Warner, \$24.95.) The

story of four generations of African-American women, from 1834 to 1936.

3 **THE FOURTH HAND**, by John Irving. (Random House, \$26.95.) Life takes unusual turns for a New York television reporter whose left hand is eaten by a circus lion in India.

4 **ANY WAY THE WIND BLOWS**, by E. Lynn Harris. (Doubleday, \$19.95) A Broadway star seeks a measure of revenge on the man who left her at the altar; a sequel to "Not a Day Goes By."

5 **OPEN SEASON**, by Linda Howard. (Pocket Books, \$24.95)

After a bored and boring 34-year-old librarian decides that her life needs some romantic excitement, she finds that she has become the target of a killer.

6 **BLUE DIARY**, by Alice Hoffman. (Putnam, \$24.95) A woman leading a seemingly idyllic life in a small Massachusetts town discovers that her husband committed a terrible crime years earlier.

7 **LEAP OF FAITH**, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$19.95.) Upon returning to the French chateau of her childhood, a woman encounters new love and mortal danger.

States Army plan to rescue prisoners of war (including survivors of the Bataan death march) in the Philippines in early 1945.

3 **STOLEN LIVES**, by Malika Oufkir and Michele Fitoussi. (Talk Miramax/Hyperion, \$24.) A Moroccan woman recalls the 20 years she spent in a desert jail.

4 **TUESDAYS WITH MORRIE**, by Mitch Albom. (Doubleday, \$19.95.) The author, a sportswriter, tells of his weekly visits to his old college mentor, who was near death's door.

5 **FOUNDING BROTHERS**, by Joseph J. Ellis. (Knopf, \$26.) A historian's study of the intertwined lives of the nation's founders.

6 **JUSTICE**, by Dominick Dunne. (Crown, \$24.) A collection of essays about crimes and criminals, trials and punishments.

7 **SEABISCUIT**, by Laura Hillenbrand. (Random House, \$24.95.) A biography of the great horse whose career culminated in a 1938 match race with the Triple Crown winner War Admiral.

8 **NAPALM & SILLY PUTTY**, by George Carlin. (Hyperion, \$22.95.) The comedian offers opinions on everything from God to pets to the Lone Ranger's laundry.

9 **THE BOTANY OF DESIRE**, by Michael Pollan. (Random House, \$24.95) How the angiosperms (the flowering plants) have prospered by seducing other creatures, including humans.

10 **THE TRUTH IS ...** by Melissa Etheridge with Laura Morton. (Villard, \$24.95.) The autobiography of the rock star.

8 **"P" IS FOR PERIL**, by Sue Grafton. (Marian Wood/Putnam, \$26.95.) The California private eye Kinsey Millhone searches for a prominent specialist in geriatric medicine who has gone missing.

9 **THE JURY**, by Steve Martin. (Putnam, \$25.95.) The lawyer-sleuth Paul Madriani represents an important medical researcher who has been charged with the murder of a young colleague.

10 **MCNALLY'S CHANCE**, by Lawrence Sanders. (Putnam, \$24.95) After he is hired by a best-selling author to look for a missing person, Archy McNally winds up in the middle of a 30-year-old Palm Beach mystery.

NONFICTION

1 **JOHN ADAMS**, by David McCullough. (Simon & Schuster, \$35.) A biography of the country's first vice president and second president.

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Hancock libraries to celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month

This year D.W. joins her brother, Arthur, star of Marc Brown's best-selling children's book series and the No. 1 children's television series, in helping the American Library Association (ALA) celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month.

Arthur and D.W. want to remind children across the country that "Having Fun Isn't Hard When You've Got a Library Card."

D.W. will be featured in a soon-to-be-released book, *D.W. Library Card* (Little, Brown and Co.). When D.W. discovers that her mother can get a library card, she rejoices at the world of books waiting for her.

Observed since 1987, Library Card Sign-up Month is a time when the ALA and libraries across the country remind parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.

"We encourage people to check out what's new at their library by signing up for a library card," said Prima Plauché, library system director.

"Today's libraries are modern community centers for information, education and entertainment. They offer books, maga-

zines, audio tapes, video tapes, computers and other multimedia materials.

"All these materials can be borrowed for home use simply by showing a library card. And librarians are on hand to help recommend materials suitable for various ages and interests and teach critical information literacy skills - the skills to find, use and evaluate information in all formats."

Plauché said that libraries also offer a variety of programs and events to stimulate an interest in reading and learning.

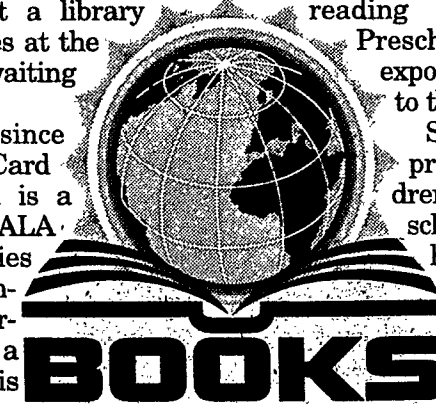
Preschool story hours expose young children to the joy of reading.

Summer reading programs keep children reading during school vacation and have been shown to be the most important factor in avoiding the decrease in reading skills that educators refer to as "summer-learning loss."

More information on Hancock County Library System events is available on the World Wide Web at www.hancock.lib.ms.us.

The library's automated computer system is available through Dial Pac at 463-0024, whereby library users can access this service via modem from their home, school and business computers.

For more information, call Jeanne Pierce at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library at 467-5282.



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Monday: Labor Day Holiday
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Wednesday: Red Beans with Rice and Sausage, Chicken

Sandwich with Trimmings, Seasoned Potato Cuts, Green Beans, Fresh Banana, Strawberry Blend, Mexican Cornbread

Thursday: Chili Cheese Fritos, American Sub Sandwich with Trimmings, Green Peas, Carrot Sticks with Dip, Fruit cocktail, Fresh Fruit bowl, Jelly O' Cake

Friday: Pork Roast with Rice and Gravy, Meatballs, Seasoned Lima Beans, Garden Salad with Dressing, Chilled Pear Slices, Applesauce, Yeast Roll

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ACOA AND AL-ANON
ACOA and Al-Anon meet at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 5303 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead Thursdays at 8 pm. For information call 255-9213.

AL-ANON/BSL
Al-Anon, Bay St. Louis chapter, meets Monday and Friday at 8 pm at 300 Third Street, Bay St. Louis.
Al-Anon is designed for families and friends who are affected by someone else's drinking. For information, call 466-5780.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY
Assistance to victims of cancer is available through Hancock and Harrison County chapters of the American Cancer Society. Necessary items for patients, such as dressings, ostomy and sickroom supplies are available to those in need. Equipment which may be loaned to patients includes wheelchairs and hospital beds. Assistance is available for transportation to qualifying hospitals. Several rehabilitation programs are offered, including "Reach To Recovery", in which volunteers who have had mastectomies visit new breast cancer patients (with approval of physician) to assist in emotional, physical and psychological rehabilitation.

BATTERED WOMEN

Free counseling is offered for Hancock County women suffering from emotional or physical abuse. Gwen Beck, outreach coordinator with Gulf Coast Women's Center, is available each Wednesday, 10 am-noon at the Hancock County Youth Court building on Court Street.

All cases are confidential. Call 435-1968 collect for appointment. The Gulf Coast Women's Center, a United Way agency, also offers an advocacy program for victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. A 24-hour crisis line is available by calling 1-800-800-1396.

BAY-WAVELAND OVEREATERS HOW GROUP
Bay-Waveland Overeaters HOW group meets every Tuesday, 7-8 pm at Hancock Medical Center's meeting room.

The HOW group is a discipline plan of eating using the 12 steps and 12 traditions for support. There are no dues or fees. The group is self supporting through their own contributions. For information, contact Ann at 467-6254.

BLOOD PRESSURE
Retired Senior Volunteer Program sponsors free blood pressure on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 9-11 am at the American Legion Post 77, on Coleman Avenue in Waveland. Hancock Medical Center Women's Auxiliary (Pink Ladies) conducts free blood pressure testing at the hospital, 10-11:30 am Tuesdays.

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FAMILY CHILD CENTER
The Family Child Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse is looking for volunteers. For information on how you can help prevent child abuse, call 868-8686 or 865-0982.

GRIEVING SUPPORT GROUP
A Wholesome Grieving Support Group will meet every second Wednesday, of the month 3-5 pm and 6-8 pm at the Hancock Senior Care Office in Bay West Professional Center, 1011 Hwy. 90, across from the Waffle House. The meetings are free of charge. For information, call Edmond Fahey Funeral Home at 467-9031 or Hancock Senior Care at 467-4675.

HANCOCK CO. HUMANE SOCIETY
Humane Society meetings are held quarterly on the third Sunday at 3 pm at Jolly Rogers Printing, Hwy. 90. All are welcome. For information, call 467-7686 Tuesday-Saturday, 10 am-3 pm.

HANCOCK CO. NAACP
The Hancock County Branch NAACP meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at Valena C. Jones United Methodist Church (fellowship hall), Sycamore Street, Bay St. Louis. Genevieve Gordon, president, 467-6040.

HOMEWORK ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
A Homework Assistance Program is

being offered to Hancock County students through the Save Our Children Center at 405 Necaise Street in Bay St. Louis, 3:30-5 pm Monday-Thursday. For registration information, call the center at 466-0401.

HOPE HAVEN CHILDREN'S SHELTER
Hope Haven is a non-profit residential shelter for abused and neglected children and provides a safe, loving refuge to children from birth through 15. The shelter welcomes public support through donations of money, goods or services. Volunteers are needed. Open board meetings are conducted at Mississippi Power Co., Hwy. 90, Bay St. Louis every third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm. A United Way agency, 228-467-7945; e-mail at www.hopehaven-shelter.org.

LUPUS FOUNDATION
A Lupus Foundation of Mississippi education/support group meets 2 pm on the second Saturday of each month in the executive dining room at Gulf Coast Medical Center, 180 DeBuys Road, Biloxi. For information, call Sheila Pletcher at 436-9484 or 1-800-866-9606 for a free lupus information packet.

MONEY MANAGEMENT
The Consumer Money Management Center serves the public by providing free financial consultations as well as informational literature and seminars for employers, educational institutions and civic and professional groups. Information and assistance from the center relates to various aspects of personal money management including budgeting, credit repayment, insurance, and investments. The service is sponsored by Mississippi State University and Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service. To set up an appointment call

Hancock County Extension Office, 467-5456.

PARENTING CLASSES
Free parenting classes will be offered in Hancock County at RSVP (Old City Hall, Bay St. Louis) for nine weeks, covering self-esteem, communications skills, nutrition, household management, discipline, child development and more. Call Kat Fitzpatrick at Family Child Center for details or reservations, 868-8686.

PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP
The public is invited to all meetings of the Parkinson Support Group, which are held the second Sunday at 2 pm at Garden Park Community Hospital in Gulfport. For information, call 863-2929 or 467-0307.

SAVE OUR CHILDREN
The Hancock County Task Force of Save Our Children will hold its monthly meeting at 6 pm every first Monday of the month at the center, 405 Necaise Street, Bay St. Louis. For details, call Geraldine Lang at 467-9586.

SEIZURE DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP
Those who suffer from a seizure disorder and need the support of people who know what that means, may join the Kim Berglund Seizure Disorder Support Group. No pressure, no judgment. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm in Classroom Trailer, I at Memorial Hospital at Gulfport. Call 865-3421 for details.

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SENIOR CITIZENS
Located on the corner of Bookter and St. Frances streets, the center serves Hancock County citizens 60 plus years of age. Under the Hancock County Human Resource Agency, the center provides classes in art, ceramics, framing, counted cross stitch, crocheting, plastic canvas, shirt decorating, quilting and sewing. There is also information and referral, counseling, entertainment and recreational field trips and health care services. Transportation is provided through a contract with Coast Transit Authority to the center or to the local doctor, grocery store, bill paying, etc. The center has a contract to provide frozen home delivered meals to 50 homebound seniors each week and serves 20 hot meals at the center four days a week under a statewide food contract with Valley Foods. In addition, a potluck lunch is served on Friday prepared by the staff. A morning snack is provided with donations from local clubs, churches and individuals. AAA contracts with Lifeline for one full-time homemaker for about two hours per week for needy seniors to do light housekeeping or errands for them. For info., call the center at 467-9292 from 8 am-3 pm.

WHOLISTIC WELLNESS
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149 Mobile Homes For Sale

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150 Unfurn. Houses Rent

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152 Mobile Home Sites

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158 Commercial Property

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159 Houses For Sale

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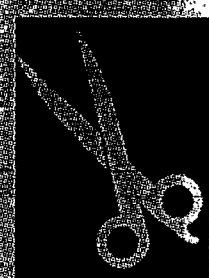
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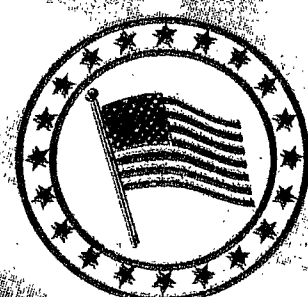
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